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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES REBOUND DESPITE SLOWDOWN IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, November 7 - - After two months of decline, building permits in the nations's 200 largest cities upturned in January, some 2.5 per cent, to $2,239,448,528 from $2,184,572,996 in December, reports Dun & Bradstreet. Permit activity rose a heftier 28.2 per cent when compared with the year-ago, January 1979, pace of $1,746,778,126.

In the 199 cities outside New York, building permits grew 11.5 per cent during the first month of 1980, advancing to $2,198,492,895 from $1,971,631,929 the month earlier. Substantial increases occurred in Seattle, Atlanta, Dallas, and Washington, D.C.. The 199 cities also posted a 29.1 per cent gain from the $1,703,657,561 volume of January 1979. Leading in this year-to-year advance were Atlanta, Los Angeles, Seattle, San Francisco, and Hollywood (Florida).

Running contrary to all of these increases, plans filed by builders in New York fell during January 1980 to $40,955,633. This was less than one-fourth the unusually high $212,941,067 level registered in December, and more moderate 5.0 per cent below the year-before reading of $43,120,565.

At the end of the initial month of 1980, Los Angeles, Houston, Dallas, Seattle, and Phoenix led the country in total permit valuations. Seattle and Phoenix joined the top five, attaining a higher ranking than they had held either in the comparable month of 1979 or at the close of last year.

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2. JANUARY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES
1977 - 1980

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,498,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February.....		1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....		2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....		2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....		2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....		2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....		2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September....		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November.....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December.....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first month of 1980 were:

(Millions of Dollars)

		Jan. 1980	% Change Jan. 1979
1.	Los Angeles, California.....	172.5	+ 42.9
2.	Houston, Texas.....	139.4	- 17.8
3.	Dallas, Texas.....	77.4	+ 44.0
4.	Seattle, Washington.....	75.4	+ 185.5
5.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	65.9	+ 57.7
6.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	58.6	+ 871.5
7.	San Francisco, California.....	57.7	+ 249.7
8.	Chicago, Illinois.....	51.0	+ 220.5
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	45.1	+ 119.1
10.	San Diego, California.....	45.1	+ 25.4
11.	Hollywood, Florida.....	44.6	+ 1097.8
12.	Washington, D.C.....	43.3	+ 146.0
13.	New York, New York.....	41.0	- 5.0
14.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	38.1	+ 240.2
15.	Portland, Oregon.....	36.2	+ 247.1
16.	Columbus, Georgia.....	32.3	+ 887.4
17.	Amarillo, Texas.....	30.0	+ 1180.5
18.	Austin, Texas.....	29.8	- 16.8
19.	Richmond, Virginia.....	29.6	+ 633.3
20.	Corpus Christi, Texas.....	28.1	+ 275.0
21.	Colorado Springs, Colorado.....	24.8	+ 106.5
22.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	24.1	+ 78.8
23.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	21.9	+ 52.2
24.	Jacksonville, Florida.....	20.9	+ 25.3
25.	San Jose, California.....	20.5	+ 34.3

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PRESPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTAIL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS, LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		JANUARY 1980	DECEMBER 1979	JANUARY 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	13,935,889	201,302,147	21,214,200
	BRONX	1,005,300	4,119,900	751,600
	BROOKLYN	3,685,400	2,384,390	2,999,600
	QUEENS	13,938,730	2,986,600	9,203,150
	RICHMOND	8,390,314	2,148,030	8,952,015
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	40,955,633	212,941,067	43,120,565
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	51,005,649	71,631,992	15,915,918
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	172,536,757	173,821,044	120,736,479
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	15,329,754	8,743,527	13,236,455
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	6,581,213	7,849,104	11,316,199
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	139,415,478	119,693,319	169,532,276
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	15,324,965	16,997,908	11,295,617
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	77,367,476	38,512,444	53,723,278
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	43,302,730	5,670,691	17,603,412
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	2,802,805	1,904,569	2,940,042
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	9,014,561	10,410,545	16,344,793
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	5,162,832	6,265,547	3,906,378
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	57,662,541	30,904,190	16,489,786
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	45,068,079	42,103,252	35,930,326
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	16,265,685	21,494,516	26,368,537
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	12,481,000	8,065,000	15,749,937
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	38,102,674	13,240,081	11,200,479
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	13,963,038	13,242,425	3,686,525
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	12,163,744	5,718,407	13,590,633
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	65,922,164	75,931,071	41,808,645
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	12,140,127	25,283,269	6,863,737
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	75,428,632	22,939,481	26,424,456
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	20,888,711	10,729,989	16,676,460
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	7,483,338	2,333,698	2,406,391
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	13,502,912	20,210,197	19,793,000
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	6,202,517	18,372,489	6,201,517
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	58,584,860	15,227,311	6,030,644
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	629,095	4,019,903	1,106,612
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	16,086,309	12,618,885	6,199,489
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	13,273,022	13,387,464	9,231,490
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	20,500,185	28,164,913	15,265,253
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	14,410,039	20,757,786	78,135,182
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	19,673,118	25,732,456	15,371,284
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	15,819,340	11,233,442	7,536,037
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	36,167,198	20,974,280	10,418,995
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	1,173,805	330,925	9,515,900
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	21,864,555	10,742,741	14,362,625
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	18,480,470	39,020,444	3,787,945
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	7,159,370	2,448,000	1,244,815
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	13,176,055	8,028,422	10,277,920
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	5,940,062	5,220,588	20,999,827
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	20,279,768	82,665,345	9,319,092
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	24,067,400	23,483,406	13,457,650
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	45,137,692	76,855,323	20,601,677
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	17,246,388	10,370,544	17,459,820
46.	ST. PAUL MINNESOTA	5,517,121	19,151,664	3,095,030
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	6,458,176	2,422,069	1,280,968
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	10,717,787	4,839,424	1,703,903
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	3,922,915	3,646,390	1,876,097
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	14,090,663	4,714,519	8,479,247
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	15,757,811	5,966,820	4,195,998
52.	AKRON, OHIO	4,092,101	2,867,759	937,615
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	14,370,948	15,173,033	19,779,381
54.	JERSEY, CITY, NEW JERSEY	1,774,450	676,707	184,000
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	8,507,703	20,895,191	24,627,776
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	29,809,400	29,047,963	35,821,646
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	29,614,672	4,623,888	4,038,300
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	17,603,790	10,456,066	17,247,609
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	1,026,748	5,325,242	2,204,185
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	12,079,287	13,370,334	5,779,760
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	10,478,640	7,591,445	3,906,755
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	28,068,633	7,147,082	7,484,172
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	3,811,500	6,422,600	4,420,394
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	1,929,722	1,370,149	5,770,955
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	13,948,735	3,263,905	2,639,550
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	529,605	318,435	1,799,930
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	799,623	2,797,175	7,499,730
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	9,033,699	7,659,361	11,544,520
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	5,051,880	4,461,518	8,585,333
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	257,868	186,041	232,540
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	3,833,150	2,494,300	3,073,900
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	5,699,822	8,505,136	1,431,554
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	2,113,620	8,557,024	353,763
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	4,641,259	13,933,820	8,092,239
75.	GARY, INDIANA	601,115	1,235,983	449,508
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	9,220,201	4,092,069	7,350,002
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	1,877,073	7,924,080	5,537,996
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	17,200,256	6,690,083	16,578,483
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	5,667,498	10,469,740	3,903,178
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	1,233,306	1,780,407	1,130,410
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	10,832,237	12,371,612	7,464,478
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	20,429,826	8,257,152	9,339,206
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	11,211,394	13,612,237	7,965,024
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	6,069,628	2,204,276	6,217,497
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	3,791,459	5,723,701	5,380,252
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	7,340,334	5,222,997	3,473,357
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	637,150	1,452,417	1,277,804
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	2,102,311	7,790,254	5,721,102
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	32,277,128	3,756,504	3,268,961
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	9,779,808	2,692,685	7,952,029
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	2,865,227	5,548,955	3,037,010
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	4,701,874	7,330,786	5,807,575
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	4,396,128	2,464,719	985,513
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	523,683	618,163	349,488
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	4,903,089	8,434,458	2,649,599
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	8,081,950	3,773,243	5,758,909
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	554,459	575,970	87,329
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	19,121,835	2,871,225	2,577,150
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	1,699,212	1,058,472	606,423
100.	NEW PORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	1,344,175	4,406,782	2,356,518
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	5,557,564	5,694,810	4,060,740
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	4,876,980	4,650,152	546,897
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	24,799,421	8,194,413	12,007,275
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	5,335,005	5,383,890	1,874,600
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	8,601,500	2,296,400	6,647,600
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR.	4,651,832	1,300,460	1,854,642
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	1,993,864	11,089,898	11,190,148
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	5,519,324	16,012,482	19,356,552
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	2,085,582	5,199,761	3,427,210
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	212,838	436,400	8,645,500
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	24,975,517	6,990,447	2,340,990
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	1,818,588	2,048,200	316,600
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	17,281,773	10,497,894	15,011,951
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	2,491,156	1,013,980	621,846
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	2,034,397	2,178,699	7,192,115
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,437,545	862,650	3,312,313
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	2,460,609	2,841,700	4,251,115
118.	RALEIGH, NO. CAR.	16,712,386	8,713,567	7,861,330
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	1,474,559	1,182,987	2,691,412
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	5,428,623	2,035,969	1,961,497
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	16,880,864	2,978,657	5,397,209
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	2,273,167	2,263,880	3,623,629
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	4,238,885	1,190,621	902,707
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA	6,197,889	3,938,429	5,507,460
125.	RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA	3,483,169	7,061,353	4,600,358
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	834,173	1,612,070	225,863
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	4,271,957	2,130,639	673,148
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	6,555,187	16,233,217	4,204,431
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	354,310	484,750	149,605
130.	INDEPENDANCE, MISSOURI	865,137	1,247,837	844,735
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,853,345	1,358,667	3,118,431
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	3,985,850	1,850,090	1,318,258
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	514,354	12,912,699	6,364,865
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	3,211,583	1,290,076	835,375
135.	CANTON, OHIO	490,697	433,588	11,855,260
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	2,093,195	252,394	193,243
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	4,807,110	21,467,810	68,047,406
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	5,091,368	2,904,656	3,414,307
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	312,125	974,821	372,300
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	833,809	1,180,602	1,052,750
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	4,421,833	14,899,402	13,211,541
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	44,595,612	55,566,220	3,723,268
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	1,760,130	178,113	259,102
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	3,075,687	1,924,758	8,923,982
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	762,878	2,836,376	13,056,076
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	3,118,961	961,507	652,712
147.	CANDEN, NEW JERSEY	121,955	390,747	242,205
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	5,179,742	492,624	1,035,258
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,895,150	4,974,004	860,380
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	3,564,700	18,180,900	19,846,300
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	829,579	2,897,216	482,173
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,798,159	1,665,135	844,954
153.	PARMA, OHIO	209,800	849,550	557,000
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	7,930,976	4,378,924	2,909,661
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	5,455,688	2,748,743	5,785,433
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	819,417	2,270,714	1,011,272
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	3,890,539	2,957,190	3,646,205
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	915,609	566,913	2,128,829
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	7,441,490	4,220,076	7,984,756
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	253,800	291,800	168,719
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	2,322,613	2,026,783	3,288,062
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	10,946,835	28,902,097	6,605,557
163.	WACO, TEXAS	2,840,790	2,771,462	4,341,195
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	547,315	1,488,521	139,000
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	9,328,475	257,480	11,433,875
166.	HAYWAR, CALIFORNIA	7,526,204	9,795,720	4,096,803
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	3,742,326	4,509,396	4,903,553
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,365,453	741,530	2,662,036
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	320,503	66,386	427,915
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	449,400	339,390	171,650
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	937,144	1,255,671	669,079
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	531,175	302,849	22,000
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	336,787	741,999	1,222,733
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	16,560,977	13,363,810	11,641,978
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	1,929,425	2,415,890	93,396
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	907,466	2,822,680	206,296
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	3,078,350	2,190,950	1,283,741
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	5,424,479	3,250,914	5,300,065
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	10,467,503	1,841,845	4,010,609
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	8,112,915	641,470	6,424,429
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	225,390	370,873	3,045,585
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	11,312,943	7,350,002	957,448
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	532,276	3,711,035	175,885
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,965,813	1,578,627	1,224,425
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	5,863,677	2,893,509	5,265,735
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	737,025	76,000	154,600
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	253,161	457,995	242,090
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	1,069,228	4,043,753	1,177,900
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	378,210	2,564,835	3,815,594
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	3,898,215	7,438,925	12,813,009
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	1,594,250	511,107	430,678
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	4,471,287	7,736,628	6,386,055
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	3,262,869	1,281,653	672,246
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	184,327	1,249,504	60,650
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	981,054	228,685	1,186,788
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	1,102,996	8,581,801	6,044,804
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	318,056	197,865	117,805
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	907,577	1,362,277	3,342,696
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	173,455	133,150	1,532,610
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	387,580	417,692	317,462
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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES MOVE HIGHER, UPTURN SEEN IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, November 14 - - Coming on the heels of an increase in January, permits issued builders in the 200 largest cities again rose in February, to $2,425,794,216, some 8.3 per cent higher than January's level of $2,239,448,528, reports Dun & Bradstreet. Permits also held a robust 41.2 per cent margin over the $1,717,789,184 recorded a year earlier.

Plans filed by builders in New York upturned in the second month of 1980, 59.0 percentage points above the month before, $65,139,270 versus $40,955,633. Filings more than trebled, as well, when compared with an unusually slow $17,898,407 pace a year ago.

Issuances in the 199 cities outside New York grew 7.4 per cent in February to $2,360,654,946 from $2,198,492,895 the previous month. Figures for San Francisco, Philadelphia, and Detroit climbed sharply. Permits in the 199 cities also exceeded by 38.9 per cent their February 1979 volume of $1,699,890,777. San Francisco, Philadelphia, and Los Angeles held a big share of this advance. A couple of smaller cities - - Cambridge, Massachusettes and Pontiac, Michigan - - posted very large percentage gains from both month-ago and year-ago.

During the first two months of 1980, permit volume totalled $4,665,242,744 in the 200 cities, 34.7 per cent more than $3,464,567,310 in the like 1979 period. Los Angeles, Houston, San Francisco, Dallas, and Philadelphia led the list of twenty-five cities with the largest cumulative 1980 amounts. Twenty-two out of the twenty-five cities surpassed their 1979 pace; two-month totals for Hollywood (Florida) and Atlanta, in fact, jumped roughly eightfold.

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2. FEBRUARY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES
1977 - 1980

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February.....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....		2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....		2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....		2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....		2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....		2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September....		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November.....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December.....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first two months of 1980 were:

(Millions of Dollars)

		Jan. - Feb. 1980	% Change Jan. - Feb. 1979
1.	Los Angeles, California.....	335.2	+ 56.2
2.	Houston, Texas.....	286.7	- 26.1
3.	San Francisco, California.....	217.1	+ 490.2
4.	Dallas, Texas.....	132.5	+ 11.6
5.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.....	129.6	+ 465.0
6.	Seattle, Washington.....	113.5	+ 153.6
7.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	112.5	+ 27.8
8.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	106.9	+ 67.2
9.	New York, New York.....	106.1	+ 73.9
10.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	101.7	+ 702.9
11.	San Diego, California.....	93.0	+ 8.2
12.	Chicago, Illinois.....	84.6	+ 16.0
13.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	78.6	+ 284.4
14.	Austin, Texas.....	67.7	- 21.9
15.	Detroit, Michigan.....	66.2	+ 51.1
16.	Washington, D.C.....	62.3	+ 201.2
17.	San Jose, California.....	58.4	+ 70.9
18.	Portland, Oregon.....	58.1	+ 58.2
19.	Jacksonville, Florida.....	57.6	+ 100.8
20.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	53.1	+ 99.1
21.	Hollywood, Florida.....	47.0	+ 665.9
22.	Denver, Colorado.....	46.5	+ 19.0
23.	Corpus Christi, Texas.....	43.4	+ 105.4
24.	San Antonio, Texas.....	41.6	- 28.6
25.	Amarillo, Texas.....	41.1	+ 458.9

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS, AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		FEBRAURY 1980	TWO MONTHS 1980	TWO MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	38,191,000	52,126,889	27,200,000
	BRONX	2,004,350	3,009,650	1,303,900
	BROOKLYN	8,377,450	12,062,850	5,623,960
	QUEENS	3,148,442	17,087,172	11,628,700
	RICHMOND	13,418,028	21,808,342	15,262,412
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	65,139,270	106,094,903	61,018,972
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIA	33,578,473	84,584,122	72,927,691
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	162,704,677	335,241,434	214,659,599
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	114,260,617	129,590,371	22,937,220
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	59,592,733	66,173,946	43,787,489
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	147,329,957	286,745,435	388,053,959
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	9,241,960	24,566,925	17,937,423
8.	DALLAS, WASHINGTON	55,143,712	132,511,188	118,685,684
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C	18,999,825	62,302,555	20,684,088
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	15,589,322	18,392,127	18,629,364
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	16,373,553	25,388,114	67,290,014
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	12,265,516	17,428,348	9,266,830
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	159,451,216	217,113,757	36,789,156
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	47,906,339	92,976,418	85,961,888
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	25,301,993	41,567,678	58,237,834
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	19,441,000	31,922,000	30,941,637
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	40,463,082	78,565,756	20,439,316
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	15,401,176	29,364,214	7,063,204
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	10,272,498	22,436,242	34,567,193
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	46,529,131	112,451,295	88,016,456
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	22,520,368	34,660,495	18,750,317
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	38,034,714	113,463,346	44,739,552
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	36,698,492	57,587,203	28,673,409
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	5,577,283	13,060,621	3,862,950
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	32,969,046	46,471,958	39,057,961
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	5,725,665	11,928,182	11,878,282
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	43,068,754	101,653,614	12,660,523
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	851,547	1,480,642	6,235,610
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	7,593,297	23,679,606	11,740,743
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	13,744,844	27,017,866	16,830,212
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	37,941,774	58,441,959	34,197,469
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	26,242,010	40,652,029	85,314,725
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	16,128,383	35,801,501	40,078,090
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	2,574,829	18,394,169	6,678,207
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	21,953,950	58,121,145	36,731,110
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	645,264	1,819,069	10,459,375
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	13,348,675	35,213,230	32,442,431
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	10,980,046	29,460,516	17,808,621
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	4,163,348	11,322,718	3,678,693
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	9,332,267	22,508,322	21,069,682
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	2,600,195	8,540,257	24,840,682
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	6,668,319	26,948,087	16,454,355
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	28,986,138	53,053,538	26,648,650
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	61,729,920	106,867,612	63,898,433
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	21,346,176	38,592,564	33,823,376
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	14,101,353	19,613,474	4,547,388
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	2,034,524	8,492,700	3,934,706
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	13,040,801	23,258,588	7,363,730
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	4,062,530	7,985,445	2,862,332
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	20,864,943	34,955,606	15,300,606
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	5,836,790	21,594,601	23,778,055
52.	AKRON, OHIO	5,473,895	9,565,996	2,591,740
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	11,302,663	25,673,611	27,033,653
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	680,650	2,455,000	242,000
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	15,283,772	23,791,475	59,029,830
56.	AUSTIN TEXAS	37,930,250	67,739,650	86,754,181
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	3,900,899	31,515,571	8,635,824
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	16,244,056	33,847,846	33,399,991
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	6,932,046	7,958,794	3,378,950
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	19,849,490	22,928,777	17,182,246
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	11,376,650	21,855,290	9,008,310
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	15,326,436	43,395,069	21,127,208
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	238,160	4,049,660	5,604,144
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	3,505,143	5,434,875	7,425,596
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	1,634,935	15,583,670	4,802,100
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	1,718,742	2,248,347	3,292,802
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	988,187	1,788,010	11,037,275
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	16,880,665	25,914,364	15,518,564
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	4,421,138	9,473,018	15,573,232
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	194,193	452,061	376,639
71.	PROVIDENCE,RHODE ISLAND	971,450	4,804,600	6,869,600
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	18,045,891	23,745,713	4,526,634
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	5,494,425	7,605,045	1,377,735
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	11,099,610	15,740,819	18,027,262
75.	GARY, INDIANA	843,477	1,444,592	1,684,300
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	1,326,539	10,545,740	9,997,840
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	3,096,208	4,973,281	10,718,383
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	12,607,501	29,807,757	36,316,562
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	11,899,445	17,566,943	10,387,531
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	1,115,400	2,348,706	2,978,135
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	9,166,678	19,998,915	15,482,992
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	8,442,181	28,872,007	31,308,556
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	11,140,112	22 351,506	17,911,228
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	5,456,858	11,526,486	7,342,197
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	8,650,715	12,442,174	8,090,726
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	3,880,169	11,220,503	12,749,761
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	1,475,456	2,112,606	2,373,602
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	6,192,373	8,294,684	11,526,923
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	2,296,820	34,573,948	6,282,492
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	2,509,022	12,288,830	12,137,602
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	12,370,501	15,235,728	4,592,641
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	6,274,508	10,976,382	11,906,594
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	6,770,482	11,166,610	3,327,797
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	9,141,713	9,665,396	780,073
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	3,502,324	8,405,413	6,415,894
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	1,110,617	9,172,567	8,724,547
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	446,073	1,000,532	313,384
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	15,521,105	34,642,940	7,181,575
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	636,470	2,335,682	1,042,845
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	1,225,808	2,569,983	4,789,813
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	18,856,318	24,408,882	7,402,588
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	4,286,235	9,163,215	1,176,197
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	11,958,624	36,758,045	24,097,108
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	2,207,995	7,543,000	4,568,280
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	6,239,100	14,840,600	15,660,600
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR	18,512,676	23,164,508	3,735,059
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	14,601,938	16,595,802	21,391,182
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	6,228,067	11,747,391	23,162,781
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	1,867,797	3,953,379	7,822,007
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	142,260	355,098	9,165,850
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	11,113,343	41,088,860	7,351,584
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	7,225,804	9,044,392	901,852
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	12,312,729	29,594,502	30,678,100
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	3,479,400	5,970,556	1,126,906
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	664,165	2,698,565	8,064,665
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,645,232	3,082,777	5,210,102
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	4,017,104	6,477,513	7,586,798
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	9,370,886	26,083,272	13,918,615
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,402,720	4,877,279	3,628,232
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	2,387,601	7,816,224	7,648,009
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	3,907,813	20,788,677	7,282,149
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	7,813,007	10,086,174	4,262,366
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	9,688,697	13,927,582	1,679,450
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CAL	2,328,305	8,526,194	11,405,020
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	7,592,091	11,075,260	8,660,333
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	428,174	1,262,347	579,876
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	7,461,307	11,733,264	2,409,382
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	3,412,512	9,967,699	10,681,820
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	220,575	574,885	323,455
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	852,096	1,717,233	1,924,477
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	913,054	2,766,399	4,739,985
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	4,974,148	8,959,998	5,102,854
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	3,380,689	3,895,043	8,245,806
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	1,200,436	4,412,019	3,951,672
135.	CANTON, OHIO	2,430,939	2,921,631	12,129,839
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	432,810	2,526,005	596,938
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	1,636,250	6,443,360	69,374,196
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	8,159,876	13,251,244	10,122,347
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	251,680	563,805	549,464
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	241,171	1,074,980	1,330,087
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	4,638,565	9,060,398	18,074,545
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	2,434,061	47,029,673	6,140,147
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	130,290	1,890,420	512,105
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	9,698,208	12,773,895	11,141,031
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	2,508,958	3,271,836	14,754,287
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	4,028,054	7,147,015	978,287
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	115,369	237,324	430,995
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	857,115	6,036,857	4,113,754
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	216,175	2,111,325	1,223,425
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	8,365,600	11,930,300	24,736,800
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	2,989,899	3,819,478	2,225,778
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	20,430,437	22,228,596	1,402,989
153.	PARMA, OHIO	146,600	356,400	744,800
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	377,719	8,308,695	3,953,444
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	12,102,736	17,550,424	13,333,956
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	2,359,685	3,179,102	2,132,621
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	3,869,293	7,759,832	7,040,234
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,006,466	1,922,075	5,096,477
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	25,550,569	32,992,059	12,248,909
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	116,700	370,500	527,519
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	1,695,343	4,017,956	4,560,595
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	7,887,784	18,576,619	9,855,128
163.	WACO, TEXAS	21,261,894	24,102,684	8,106,856
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	125,390	672,705	461,269
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	359,350	9,687,825	11,885,960
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	10,004,872	17,531,076	6,768,184
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	9,544,402	13,286,728	12,047,475
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	5,113,263	6,478,716	3,342,593
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	1,190,637	1,511,140	1,738,715
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	348,590	797,990	521,830
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	1,036,184	1,973,328	1,788,344
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	213,115	744,290	50,825
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	683,916	1,020,703	1,563,283
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	15,377,688	31,938,665	37,064,892
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	188,636	2,118,061	8,420,531
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	366,225	1,273,691	473,371
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	9,693,845	12,772,195	2,846,687
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	7,898,454	13,322,933	12,895,505
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	3,264,596	13,732,099	8,325,005
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	1,851,903	9,964,818	9,554,229
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	291,985	517,375	3,447,412
182.	BURBALK, CALIFORNIA	9,826,018	21,138,961	5,779,354
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	99,125	631,401	293,775
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,141,853	3,107,666	3,092,801
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	8,664,427	14,528,104	8,000,921
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	127,300	864,325	273,100
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	733,425	986,586	846,285
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	1,518,100	2,587,328	4,772,911
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	372,995	751,205	5,446,533
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	2,098,145	5,996,360	22,422,026
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	512,481	2,106,731	1,317,303
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	336,355	4,807,642	8,609,217
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	5,467,950	8,730,819	3,751,587
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	440,190	624,517	1,131,696
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	745,949	1,727,003	1,497,010
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	2,667,547	3,770,543	8,894,883
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	395,800	713,856	497,548
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	1,968,106	2,875,683	3,976,094
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	318,825	492,280	1,693,910
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	27,487,031	27,874,611	672,900
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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES ADVANCE WITH A SURGE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, November 25 - - Building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities increased 9.3 per cent in March, to $2,652,435,406 from $2,425,794,216 the month before, reports Dun & Bradstreet. Permits also exceeded by 7.1 per cent their year-ago level of $2,476,939,618.

New York accounted for most of the monthly and year-to-year gains that were seen in the 200 cities as a whole. Plans filed by builders in New York surged to $272,511,228 in March, more than quadrupling February's $65,139,270 reading and zooming almost sevenfold above March 1979's $39,471,431. The latest lofty figure for New York comes after two very strong showings at the end of 1979, roughly $342 million in November and $213 million in December. Aside from the November filings, which marked a ten-year high for the city, March 1980's plans were the largest since the $274 million mark nearly reached during August 1971.

Permit valuations in the 199 cities outside New York rose only a slight eight-tenths of one per cent between February and March, inching to $2,379,924,178 from $2,360,654,946. While activity in San Francisco, Philadelphia, and Detroit slowed considerably from the accelerated pace of a month-earlier, permits jumped sharply in Houston and Chicago. Issuances in the 199 cities actually slipped 2.4 per cent, however, when compared with $2,437,468,397 registered in the same month of 1979. This was the first time in nine months that permits in the 199 cities trailed year-earlier levels. Running in an opposite direction, Miami Beach, Alexandria, New Haven, and Saginaw had huge hikes in dollar volume - - at least on a percentage basis - - from the previous year.

In the 200 cities, permits issued builders during the first quarter of 1980 totalled some $7,317,678,150 or 23.2 per cent more than the $5,941,506,928 for the first quarter of 1979. Houston led the nation with an aggregate of just under $525 million. Of the top twenty-five cities (with the largest three-month totals) fully eight posted improvements of better than 100 per cent.

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2. MARCH BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....		2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....		2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....		2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....		2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September...		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first three months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Three Months 1980	% Change Three Months 1980
1.	Houston, Texas	524.2	- 11.7
2.	Los Angeles, California	455.5	+ 32.7
3.	New York, New York	378.6	+ 276.8
4.	San Francisco, California	261.0	+ 315.3
5.	Chicago, Illinois	204.1	+ 34.8
6.	Dallas, Texas	191.2	- 31.4
7.	Phoenix, Arizona	169.6	- 0.5
8.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	157.3	+ 316.2
9.	Seattle, Washington	150.2	+ 102.7
10.	San Diego, California	149.8	+ 8.7
11.	Honolulu, Hawaii	142.7	+ 38.3
12.	Atlanta, Georgia	127.8	+ 274.6
13.	Austin, Texas	115.2	- 8.1
14.	Washington, D.C.	108.3	+ 129.8
15.	San Jose, California	95.0	+ 26.3
16.	Memphis, Tennessee	94.9	+ 177.9
17.	Indianapolis, Indiana	88.5	+ 10.2
18.	Boston, Massachusetts	84.0	+ 42.9
19.	Jacksonville, Florida	76.4	+ 61.9
20.	Portland, Oregon	75.5	+ 23.7
21.	Detroit, Michigan	71.2	+ 23.7
22.	Tulsa, Oklahoma	70.6	+ 24.5
23.	San Antonio, Texas	69.9	- 22.0
24.	Baltimore, Maryland	68.7	+ 122.0
25.	Devner, Colorado	65.2	+ 6.0

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		MARCH 1980	THREE MONTHS 1980	THREE MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	221,741,900	273,868,789	40,994,755
	BRONX	7,389,560	10,399,210	4,338,600
	BROOKLYN	25,941,600	38,004,450	12,693,860
	QUEENS	10,488,290	27,575,462	17,162,110
	RICHMOND	6,949,878	28,758,220	25,301,078
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	272,511,228	378,606,131	100,490,403
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	119,526,754	204,110,876	151,427,265
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	120,235,366	455,476,800	343,196,752
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	27,721,434	157,311,805	37,800,986
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	4,998,531	71,172,477	57,526,217
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	237,411,498	524,156,933	593,936,402
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	44,133,293	68,700,218	30,952,366
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	58,682,988	191,194,176	278,628,469
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	46,031,901	108,334,456	47,136,988
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	8,076,762	26,468,889	10,770,729
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	63,131,454	88,519,568	80,291,756
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	19,812,778	37,241,126	19,562,600
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	43,926,164	261,039,921	62,862,698
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	56,828,605	149,803,023	137,828,474
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	28,283,956	69,851,634	89,547,243
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	52,126,200	84,048,200	58,835,637
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	16,351,935	94,917,691	34,151,857
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	12,253,604	41,617,818	14,207,888
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	8,991,199	31,427,441	53,001,280
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	57,195,810	169,647,105	170,490,523
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	26,925,898	61,586,393	40,701,222
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	36,756,532	150,219,878	74,094,074
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	18,803,142	76,390,345	47,189,935
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	8,919,278	21,979,849	36,798,531
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	18,712,470	65,184,428	61,502,643
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	13,518,760	25,446,942	25,131,103
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	26,123,774	127,777,388	34,114,223
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	8,971,106	10,451,748	8,340,985
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	6,242,809	29,922,415	32,186,074
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	16,746,079	43,763,945	37,500,049
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	36,518,454	94,960,413	75,199,014
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	18,406,723	59,058,752	92,787,164
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	17,797,300	53,598,801	54,903,922
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	4,901,137	23,295,306	22,709,589
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	17,397,435	75,518,580	61,053,850
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	3,569,650	5,388,719	11,005,605
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	19,781,687	54,994,917	68,175,915
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	5,147,370	14,607,886	24,282,943
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	3,644,070	14,966,788	6,734,338
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	14,517,090	37,025,412	24,792,547
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	9,638,456	18,178,713	35,597,494
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	11,002,046	37,950,133	38,293,675
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	17,531,524	70,585,062	56,694,050
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	35,807,243	142,674,855	103,133,729
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	18,347,176	56,939,740	50,748,136
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	4,220,893	23,834,367	19,728,633
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	2,222,409	10,715,109	8,106,113
48.	BRIMINGHAM, ALABAMA	19,672,462	42,931,050	21,211,919
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	5,498,998	13,484,444	4,202,900
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	16,604,941	51,560,547	23,597,216
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	8,022,933	29,617,534	37,659,240
52.	AKRON, OHIO	5,317,961	14,883,957	5,754,779
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	10,429,395	36,101,006	39,290,549
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	13,758,088	16,213,088	6,297,500
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	6,952,236	30,743,711	71,306,972
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	47,443,000	115,182,650	125,363,681
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	10,064,954	43,580,525	10,109,039
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	9,115,242	42,963,088	61,689,217
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	11,674,961	19,633,755	19,993,650
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	11,721,539	34,650,316	29,764,205
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	3,795,300	25,650,590	20,103,835
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	10,630,392	54,025,461	42,762,424
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	2,485,045	6,534,705	6,106,569
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	1,277,370	6,712,245	13,457,396
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	1,337,885	16,921,555	8,966,920
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	200,000	2,448,347	3,875,256
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	6,069,362	7,857,372	13,295,074
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	6,682,277	32,596,641	20,173,954
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	9,638,916	19,111,934	23,362,940
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	379,180	831,241	1,146,762
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	2,069,200	6,873,800	8,538,100
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	12,600,911	36,346,624	14,483,224
73.	WORCHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	2,302,173	9,907,218	1,833,343
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	3,967,643	19,708,462	21,651,587
75.	GARY, INDIANA	497,487	1,942,079	3,997,540
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	4,055,154	14,601,894	13,480,292
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	7,941,198	12,914,479	16,678,359
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	17,176,122	46,983,879	60,101,586
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	9,693,998	27,260,941	16,803,689
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	593,558	2,942,264	17,565,968
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	17,313,723	37,312,638	18,764,042
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	11,934,502	40,806,509	57,029,958
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	11,327,239	33,678,745	32,303,953
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,817,083	13,343,569	10,299,901
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	7,360,078	19,802,252	9,950,901
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	5,977,864	17,198,367	18,683,684
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	1,437,503	3,550,109	4,850,081
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	4,455,512	12,750,196	21,711,381
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	2,139,304	36,713,252	13,914,807
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	8,626,908	20,915,738	19,632,963
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	3,406,352	18,642,080	9,284,344
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	6,443,088	17,419,470	24,758,310
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	2,550,336	13,716,946	7,367,631
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	1,088,305	10,753,701	5,120,234
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	6,544,543	14,949,956	12,045,003
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALFIRONIA	6,015,407	15,187,974	12,140,891
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	447,637	1,448,169	742,936
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	4,962,000	39,604,940	11,187,455
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	792,339	3,128,021	5,818,844
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,021,724	5,591,707	13,285,871
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	3,904,965	28,313,847	15,376,616
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	22,736,250	31,899,465	1,896,672
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	13,878,666	50,636,711	40,966,210
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	2,913,890	10,456,890	6,165,390
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	7,654,700	22,495,300	24,899,300
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR	6,811,245	29,975,753	16,678,581
107.	GLENDALE, CALFIORNIA	7,162,324	23,758,126	30,755,410
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	9,994,378	21,741,769	45,467,130
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	887,762	4,841,141	10,919,720
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	4,420,280	4,775,378	9,541,630
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	4,814,722	45,903,582	15,441,448
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	3,727,947	12,772,339	8,854,537
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	7,054,674	36,649,176	43,947,806
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	641,085	6,611,541	14,232,423
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	1,815,766	4,514,331	10,814,665
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	5,423,161	8,505,938	8,103,564
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	3,305,143	9,782,656	17,577,027
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	5,433,495	31,516,767	25,849,388
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	1,439,331	6,316,610	7,224,116
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	3,589,658	11,405,882	20,749,800
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	8,256,772	29,045,449	11,905,057
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	1,413,278	11,499,452	9,973,906
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,105,559	15,033,141	5,493,169
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA	6,418,967	14,945,161	14,360,765
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	9,523,214	20,598,474	24,133,987
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	1,638,262	2,900,609	2,531,933
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	8,042,128	19,775,392	3,293,755
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	2,087,152	2,054,851	18,169,072
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	2,546,513	3,121,398	1,704,530
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	5,926,498	7,643,731	6,780,088
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,128,241	3,894,640	7,039,131
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	33,920,092	42,880,090	11,889,811
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	1,729,792	5,624,835	13,401,322
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	1,906,799	6,318,818	8,994,668
135.	CANTON, OHIO	1,710,914	4,632,545	13,775,569
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	1,129,336	3,655,341	2,038,169
137.	STAMFORD,CONNECTICUT	8,205,800	14,649,160	22,198,374
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	11,409,234	24,660,478	23,243,804
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	7,162,134	7,725,939	1,546,964
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	502,530	1,577,510	13,710,068
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	10,762,315	19,822,713	34,346,303
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	4,541,262	51,570,935	13,149,077
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	379,911	2,270,331	1,027,960
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	6,337,105	19,111,000	16,420,557
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	817,903	4,089,739	16,613,938
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVNIA	495,355	7,642,370	1,174,777
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	116,624	353,948	716,671
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	1,139,658	7,176,515	11,765,430
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	696,179	2,807,504	2,722,510
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	8,773,200	20,703,500	30,193,500
151.	DULTUH, MINNESOTA	9,974,316	13,793,794	5,213,417
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	2,767,161	24,995,757	2,765,239
153.	PARMA, OHIO	1,038,000	1,394,400	1,901,800
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	3,759 421	12,068,116	6,169,327
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	27,643,937	45,202,361	17,783,052
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	2,532,630	5,711,732	7,671,204
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	4,580,945	12,340,777	11,801,620
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	2,181,363	4,103,438	10,708,353
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	16,264,905	49,256,964	16,911,510
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	113,895	484,395	838,119
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	3,130,115	7,148,071	9,905,100
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	4,999,367	23,575,986	22,015,382
163.	WACO, TEXAS	1,963,379	26,066,063	27,779,109
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	251,256	923,961	3,489,767
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	350,006	10,037,831	12,906,050
166.	HAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA	4,016,355	21,547,431	11,687,345
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	4,697,725	17,984,453	17,934,771
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,746,437	8,225,153	5,266,217
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	15,530,154	17,041 294	1,843,625
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	1,093,010	1,891,000	1,444,790
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	2,247,781	4,221,109	11,116,835
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	363,084	1,107,374	184,309
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	359,422	1,380,125	2,912,912
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	30,819,467	62,758,132	61,275,477
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	3,350,883	5,468,944	9,867,961
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	426,975	1,700,666	656,771
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	2,263,619	15,035,814	4,087,580
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	4,343,787	17,666,720	17,321,817
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	2,673,203	16,405,302	15,183,254
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	2,551,739	12,516,552	13,912,089
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	317,770	835,145	3,737,877
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	8,042,504	29,181,465	12,166,172
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	361,846	993,247	618,220
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	2,550,056	5,657,722	5,449,791
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	4,336,898	18,865,002	17,869,089
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	145,795	1,010,120	468,300
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	8,048,625	9,035,211	1,082,305
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	1,913,554	4,500,882	11,087,429
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	2,062,104	2,813,309	6,744,755
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	4,160,307	10,156,667	34,387,957
191.	READING PENNSYLVANIA	526,467	2,633,198	2,297,061
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	5,319,469	10,127,111	21,868,919
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	60,888,247	69,619,066	13,622,693
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	1,561,241	2,185,758	2,523,104
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	433,231	2,160,234	3,084,260
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	680,692	4,451,235	19,774,471
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	511,589	1,225,445	963,458
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	499,062	3,374,745	7,181,087
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	1,067,700	1,559,980	2,935,985
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	15,808,443	43,683,054	33,641,933
	TOTALS: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,652,435,406	7,317,678,150	5,941,506,928

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES SHOW MONTHLY DECLINE, WHILE THEIR LEAD OVER YEAR-AGO NARROWS

NEW YORK, December 16 - - Dun & Bradstreet reports that after three consecutive advances, building permits in the 200 largest cities slipped 7.4 per cent in April, to $2,456,791,560 from $2,652,435,406 in March. However, permits in April still posted an increase over their year-ago level - - for the tenth straight month - - as dollar volume rose 0.2 per cent from $2,451,179,009 in April 1979. Nonetheless, this latest year-to-year increase was the smallest of the ten.

Plans filed by builders in New York fell some 80.9 per cent during April, to $52,077,010, after a quite accelerated pace of $272,511,228 the month before. But, filings in New York also slumped 42.6 per cent below their year-earlier mark of $90,747,127.

Contrary to New York's slowdown, permit valuations for the 199 cities outside New York actually moved slightly higher in April, reaching $2,404,714,550. This was 1.0 per cent larger than $2,379,924,178 in the previous month, and 1.9 per cent above the $2,360,431,882 recorded April 1979. Permit activity rebounded fully in Philadelphia and Detroit following downturns in March; Dallas, as well, registered a large jump from March. These three cities - - plus Houston - - likewise saw sizeable improvements over a year earlier.

Despite the modest performance in April, total permit volume in the 200 cities for the first four months of 1980 were up 16.5 per cent from the comparable four months in 1979, $9,774,469,710 versus $8,392,685,937. Houston led all other cities with valuations totalling more than $800 million.

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2. APRIL BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....		2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....		2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....		2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September...		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first four months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Four Months 1980	% Change Four Months 1979	
1.	Houston, Texas	812.2	+	5.0
2.	Los Angeles, California	624.0	+	31.7
3.	New York, New York	430.7	+	125.2
4.	Dallas, Texas	346.1	-	1.0
5.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	286.1	+	444.6
6.	San Francisco, California	281.0	+	231.3
7.	Chicago, Illinois	225.4	+	28.1
8.	Phoenix, Arizona	209.4	-	10.6
9.	Austin, Texas	187.0	+	17.3
10.	Honolulu, Hawaii	182.7	+	21.3
11.	Seattle, Washington	177.7	+	69.4
12.	Atlanta, Georgia	175.3	+	31.1
13.	San Diego, California	172.9	-	14.5
14.	Detroit, Michigan	135.6	+	117.1
15.	Washington, D.C.	117.2	+	40.4
16.	Memphis, Tennessee	116.2	+	147.3
17.	San Jose, California	111.3	-	4.6
18.	Indianapolis, Indiana	104.9	+	11.7
19.	Portland, Oregon	97.7	+	16.1
20.	Boston, Massachusetts	96.2	-	0.0
21.	Jacksonville, Florida	95.6	+	47.6
22.	Baltimore, Maryland	93.5	+	130.9
23.	San Antonio, Texas	90.3	-	25.7
24.	Denver, Colorado	88.7	-	6.6
25.	Columbus, Ohio	86.8	-	18.2

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		APRIL 1980	FOUR MONTHS 1980	FOUR MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	10,252,900	284,121,689	88,644,395
	BRONX	13,900,550	24,299,760	5,434,650
	BROOKLYN	1,263,900	39,768,350	20,282,260
	QUEENS	20,666,250	48,241,712	38,408,760
	RICHMOND	5,493,410	34,251,630	38,447,485
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	52,077,010	430,683,141	191,737,530
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	21,257,942	225,368,818	175,880,631
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	168,566,604	624,043,404	473,760,696
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	128,820,228	286,132,033	52,542,204
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	64,397,086	135,569,563	62,458,807
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	288,090,433	812,247,366	773,564,192
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	24,761,416	93,461,634	40,484,956
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	154,863,661	346,057,837	349,569,565
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	8,912,131	117,246,587	83,486,390
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	3,085,962	29,554,851	43,316,402
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	16,337,968	104,857,536	93,849,594
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	17,087,535	54,328,661	27,219,075
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	19,959,980	280,999,981	84,815,791
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	23,093,102	172,896,125	202,141,532
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	20,425,789	90,277,423	121,486,436
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	12,138,000	96,[illegible],200	96,207,637
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	21,236,019	131,[illegible],710	46,977,707
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	11,291,102	52,[illegible],920	17,976,751
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	17,663,003	44,[illegible],446	59,351,685
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	39,802,534	209,449,639	234,321,338
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	25,232,934	86,819,327	106,098,449
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	27,499,893	177,719,771	104,892,714
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	19,178,788	95,569,133	64,730,914
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	4,132,145	26,112,044	44,241,386
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	23,541,641	88,726,069	94,965,669
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	14,452,950	49,899,892	44,864,343
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	47,511,091	175,288,479	133,703,154
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,389,796	11,841,544	9,104,068
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	32,204,998	62,127,413	38,773,686
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	5,048,051	48,811,996	61,410,303
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	16,300,069	111,260,482	116,612,469
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	14,129,026	73,187,778	102,699,129
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	21,913,338	72,512,149	81,654,240
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	8,807,921	32,103,237	33,718,241
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	22,151,080	92,669,660	86,150,296
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	481,875	5,870,594	12,051,410
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	26,819,367	81,834,284	94,589,408
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	21,024,889	55,612,775	29,363,786
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	998,245	15,965,033	11,010,083
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	6,913,305	43,938,717	33,429,742
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	7,154,955	25,333,668	47,351,854
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	39,028,431	76,978,564	56,725,019
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	12,754,322	83,339,384	76,398,950
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	40,032,753	182,707,608	150,638,387
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	13,862,979	70,802,719	69,367,359
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	5,827,669	29,662,036	27,405,554
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	4,042,000	14,757,109	13,054,754
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	5,915,704	48,846,754	29,775,030
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	8,014,780	21,499,224	6,786,832
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	16,521,599	68,082,146	27,944,056
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	11,325,349	40,942,881	54,002,517
52.	AKRON, OHIO	4,942,256	19,826,213	11,634,454
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	7,409,212	43,512,218	61,714,041
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	332,900	16,545,988	7,210,911
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	9,691,547	40,435,258	94,230,720
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	71,771,415	186,954,065	159,330,877
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	5,362,623	48,943,148	18,866,931
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	11,038,542	54,001,630	84,785,663
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	6,820,816	26,454,571	28,981,978
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	11,691,636	46,341,952	40,038,132
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	7,489,865	33,140,455	35,261,085
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	5,900,035	59,925,496	58,960,685
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	570,775	7,105,480	6,743,069
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	6,416,037	13,128,282	21,341,397
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	14,277,793	31,199,348	13,753,310
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	872,863	3,321,210	8,784,515
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	6,969,832	14,827,204	15,149,072
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	10,954,661	43,551,302	24,782,662
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	1,946,454	23,058,388	13,741,535
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	410,529	1,241,770	2,085,799
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	1,061,700	7,937,500	11,131,500
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	29,554,758	65,901,382	17,857,556
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	1,821,445	11,728,663	5,340,517
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	8,543,241	28,253,705	38,023,787
75.	GARY, INDIANA	811,212	2,753,291	9,183,783
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	6,515,382	21,177,276	26,517,581
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	5,270,551	18,185,030	22,703,042
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	20,436,666	67,420,545	82,830,646
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	1,727,734	34,988,675	27,314,514
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	3,843,902	6,786,166	19,262,688
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	1,404,688	38,717,326	33,960,900
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	12,381,344	53,187,853	80,792,188
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	9,254,115	42,932,860	44,696,446
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	2,089,037	15,432,606	14,384,661
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	18,457,663	38,259,915	16,694,258
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	5,952,893	23,151,260	26,335,490
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	1,859,000	5,404,109	6,708,653
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	7,448,285	20,198,481	34,436,137
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	3,432,705	40,145,957	18,749,913
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	9,838,074	30,753,812	23,389,362
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	6,064,200	24,706,280	14,817,219
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	7,525,415	24,944,885	35,531,718
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	1,637,810	15,354,756	12,591,012
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	1,313,457	12,067,158	6,422,004
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	5,951,133	20,921,089	15,955,537
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	1,388,622	18,526,596	19,589,950
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	202,683	1,650,852	1,041,192
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	5,319,510	44,924,450	18,972,075
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	8,097,514	11,225,555	7,291,133
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,068,871	8,660,578	17,373,706
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	2,847,741	31,161,588	21,185,171
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	853,998	32,753,463	4,016,222
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	18,243,578	68,880,289	63,729,795
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	7,072,890	17,529,780	9,183,775
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	4,091,200	26,586,500	31,325,600
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA	6,010,283	35,986,036	19,526,515
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	4,024,198	27,782,324	36,498,769
108.	LITTLE ROCK	5,482,312	27,224,081	52,309,029
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	1,095,806	5,936,947	31,060,282
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	533,770	5,309,148	10,348,805
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	2,282,100	48,185,682	23,681,832
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	2,323,140	15,095,479	16,230,937
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	6,886,460	43,535,636	60,827,113
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	1,693,743	8,105,384	18,112,816
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	5,268,659	9,782,990	13,571,308
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	985,558	9,491,496	16,499,514
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	4,345,289	14,127,945	24,660,152
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CALIFORNIA	6,109,539	37,626,206	38,794,251
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	1,826,762	8,143,372	9,620,678
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	3,030,708	14,456,590	26,245,258
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	3,158,242	36,203,691	17,003,220
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	3,723,434	15,222,886	12,908,600
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,127,401	16,160,542	6,608,122
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA	5,701,652	20,652,613	25,202,256
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	31,609,019	52,207,493	29,532,165
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	4,396,293	7,496,902	3,220,153
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	3,150,751	22,926,143	7,571,160
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	4,091,077	16,147,928	20,724,811
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	846,672	3,968,070	1,904,445
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	2,807,690	10,451,421	11,533,451
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,001,600	2,896,260	8,969,634
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	1,977,614	44,851,704	17,061,080
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	4,016,576	9,641,411	17,863,091
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	1,269,590	9,588,408	18,147,905
135.	CANTON, OHIO	16,035,580	20,668,125	14,287,350
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	1,324,919	4,980,280	5,149,160
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	1,091,388	15,742,548	83,455,274
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	6,375,435	31,035,911	36,146,620
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	1,090,570	8,816,509	2,369,664
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	3,347,624	6,925,134	15,973,496
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	14,090,285	33,912,998	45,910,410
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	6,318,958	57,859,803	15,568,266
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	782,033	3,052,364	1,627,608
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	4,641,907	21,752,907	21,568,113
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	2,165,551	6,255,290	47,128,260
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	383,248	8,025,618	2,082,513
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	650,792	1,004,740	1,557,521
148.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	2,197,179	9,373,694	25,328,028
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,047,762	3,855,266	4,099,730
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	14,833,400	35,536,900	21,142,900
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	6,511,634	20,305,428	6,791,691
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	11,001,090	35,996,847	3,820,213
153.	PARMA, OHIO	2,426,000	3,820,400	15,275,000
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	1,534,974	13,601,090	9,422,413
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	22,624,727	67,827,088	27,713,048
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	1,866,125	7,577,857	9,761,015
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	8,029,275	20,370,052	28,606,897
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	861,579	4,967,017	14,464,714
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	2,293,503	51,550,467	25,376,798
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	116,165	600,560	1,326,149
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	4,607,508	11,755,579	26,649,721
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	4,508,280	33,084,266	34,273,280
163.	WACO, TEXAS	5,173,758	31,239,821	34,080,108
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	3,844,249	4,768,210	4,875,013
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	1,172,485	11,210,316	13,309,380
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	4,102,898	25,650,329	24,979,494
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	13,278,333	31,262,786	23,938,454
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,006,644	9,231,797	7,008,231
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	466,808	17,508,102	2,274,660
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	1,307,920	3,198,926	2,112,350
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	3,773,887	7,994,996	14,667,597
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	76,000	1,183,374	607,509
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	843,272	2,223,397	3,720,884
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	16,511,763	79,269,895	80,085,747
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	1,547,748	7,016,692	12,715,029
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	583,450	2,284,116	1,996,221
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	980,322	16,016,136	8,896,223
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	3,766,588	21,433,308	22,367,076
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	4,670,151	21,075,451	31,221,244
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	714,996	13,231,553	18,607,654
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,215,396	2,050,541	4,156,017
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	2,429,715	31,611,180	14,483,145
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,810,615	2,803,862	1,576,843
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,005,741	6,663,463	7,066,262
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	22,350,220	41,215,222	25,660,263
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	384,080	1,394,200	765,300
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	433,692	9,468,903	1,464,060
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	1,365,342	5,866,724	13,804,379
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	3,474,262	6,287,571	9,636,124
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	4,641,181	14,797,848	38,114,127
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	827,589	3,460,787	2,742,184
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	9,324,573	19,451,684	27,174,642
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	8,543,886	78,162,952	19,199,223
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	2,748,955	4,934,713	5,608,790
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	193,772	2,354,006	9,560,118
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	872,894	5,324,129	20,954,925
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	12,954,445	14,179,890	3,138,427
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	7,686,536	11,061,281	7,957,759
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	490,600	2,050,580	4,145,135
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	271,367	43,954,421	36,093,078
	TOTALS: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,456,791,560	9,774,469,710	8,392,685,937

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES DROP DESPITE SIZEABLE ADVANCES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, January 23--Extending the downturn of the prior month, building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities dropped again in May, reports Dun & Bradstreet. May permits totalled $2,315,891,724, some 5.7 per cent below the $2,456,791,560 April level. And, for the first time in eleven months, permit values in the 200 cities fell below their year-earlier mark. After a minimal year-to-year increase in April, valuations in the succeeding month plunged 16.6 per cent under their comparable May 1979 total of $2,777,967,467.

In contrast to these declines, plans filed by builders in New York showed sizeable improvements. Filings in the city reached $95,070,499 in May, fully 82.6 per cent above their month-earlier $52,077,010 volume. Plans also advanced 41.0 per cent from $67,403,494 twelve months earlier.

Valuations in the 199 cities (excluding New York) declined 7.6 per cent during May --to $2,220,821,225, from $2,404,714,550 the month before. They also slowed 18.1 per cent in comparison to their May 1979 pace of $2,710,563,973. Permit activity in Houston subsided markedly from both month-ago and year-ago levels; however, standing at $146.3 million, this still represented the second highest total in the nation. Only Los Angeles had a higher figure in May--nearly $174 million.

Aggregate dollar volume in the 200 cities reached $12,090,361,434 during the first five months of 1980, 8.2 per cent more than the $11,170,653,404 reached in the like five months of 1979. Of the twenty-five cities with the largest aggregate volume, all but five posted increases over year-earlier. Philadelphia saw volume grow more than four-fold (from that of first five months of 1979). San Francisco's valuations almost tripled while those for Baltimore and New York doubled.

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2. MAY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....		2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....		2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September...		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first five months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Five Months 1980	% Change Five Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas	958.5	- 4.1
2.	Los Angeles, California	797.8	+ 25.7
3.	New York, New York	525.8	+ 103.3
4.	Dallas, Texas	447.2	+ 5.4
5.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	324.6	+ 365.2
6.	Chicago, Illinois	322.5	+ 12.5
7.	San Francisco, California	309.1	+ 180.1
8.	Phoenix, Arizona	257.0	- 12.4
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii	228.5	+ 15.8
10.	Austin, Texas	211.6	+ 8.9
11.	San Diego, California	204.7	- 20.3
12.	Seattle, Washington	195.7	+ 25.1
13.	Atlanta, Georgia	186.7	+ 6.0
14.	Washington, D.C.	171.7	+ 39.9
15.	Detroit, Michigan	155.0	+ 87.2
16.	Memphis, Tennessee	139.4	+ 91.5
17.	San Jose, California	135.5	- 13.2
18.	San Antonio, Texas	132.4	- 11.3
19.	Boston, Massachusetts	129.5	+ 1.0
20.	Indianapolis, Indiana	128.9	+ 1.8
21.	Fort Worth, Texas	121.2	+ 15.3
22.	Baltimore, Maryland	112.5	+ 106.0
23.	Portland, Oregon	111.8	+ 6.3
24.	Tulsa, Oklahoma	111.4	+ 4.0
25.	Jacksonville, Florida	110.3	+ 37.3

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		MAY 1980	FIVE MONTHS 1980	FIVE MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	52,664,351	336,786,040	122,702,295
	BRONX	2,104,590	26,404,350	10,611,168
	BROOKLYN	14,423,950	54,192,300	30,521,160
	QUEENS	23,759,860	72,001,572	45,286,440
	RICHMOND	2,117,748	36,369,378	49,519,941
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	95,070,499	523,753,640	258,641,024
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	97,083,638	322,452,456	286,680,078
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	173,775,314	797,818,718	634,537,083
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	38,512,758	324,644,791	69,788,361
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	19,413,348	134,982,911	87,775,868
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	148,284,493	958,511,859	1,000,004,714
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	19,028,229	112,489,863	54,602,443
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	101,113,918	447,171,755	424,165,046
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	54,437,869	171,684,456	122,716,125
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	13,205,460	42,760,311	47,549,337
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	24,064,700	128,922,236	126,603,337
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	7,805,758	62,132,419	61,015,564
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	28,089,726	309,089,627	110,336,305
14.	SANDIEGO, CALIFORNIA	31,798,407	204,694,532	258,944,704
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	42,105,294	132,382,717	149,240,470
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	33,274,900	129,461,100	128,173,637
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	23,276,544	139,430,254	72,794,544
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	6,335,154	59,244,074	32,239,623
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	11,818,501	55,908,945	147,432,474
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	47,585,655	257,035,296	293,290,727
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	20,811,739	107,631,066	138,014,194
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	17,985,957	195,705,728	156,402,935
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	14,734,524	110,303,657	80,352,183
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	28,158,546	54,270,590	51,286,909
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	13,666,886	102,392,955	125,783,725
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	13,477,264	53,377,156	64,398,107
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	11,443,390	186,731,869	176,163,020
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,699,918	13,541,662	11,799,109
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	21,564,391	83,691,804	63,197,377
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	15,116,753	63,928,749	94,967,197
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	24,203,314	135,463,796	156,057,611
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	16,342,264	89,530,042	111,609,193
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	43,664,521	121,176,660	105,058,998
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	3,739,690	35,842,717	47,987,603
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	14,145,560	111,815,220	105,213,856
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	3,522,694	9,393,288	13,612,290
37.	OKALHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	21,405,691	103,239,975	117,287,701
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	8,539,472	64,172,247	35,603,403
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	4,721,384	20,686,417	13,014,948
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	3,956,310	47,895,027	41,376,267
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	3,245,968	28,579,636	57,338,259
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	16,514,594	93,493,158	67,586,034
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	28,051,194	111,390,578	107,123,750
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	45,802,096	228,509,704	197,366,829
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	14,672,789	85,475,508	93,577,044
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	41,599,121	71,261,157	39,449,824
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	14,680,072	29,437,181	20,481,118
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	19,609,317	68,456,071	45,750,881
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	2,169,910	23,669,134	10,270,521
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	7,505,701	75,587,847	38,122,593
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	12,886,128	53,829,010	75,011,882
52.	AKRON, OHIO	3,830,245	23,656,458	15,703,836
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	8,854,115	52,366,331	86,370,875
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	1,286,722	17,832,710	9,028,856
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	16,935,406	57,370,664	114,894,503
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	24,657,700	211,611,765	194,326,320
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	4,322,545	53,265,693	20,511,842
58	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	38,836,512	92,838,142	121,446,000
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	4,888,203	31,342,774	42,269,310
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	19,413,737	65,755,689	52,124,895
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	7,181,805	40,322,260	41,823,703
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	20,761,990	80,687,486	77,153,113
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	3,728,302	10,833,782	7,315,723
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	3,817,249	16,945,531	20,089,984
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	21,135,719	52,335,067	17,493,328
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	469,174	3,790,384	35,729,933
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	1,646,649	16,473,853	17,653,238
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	38,214,545	81,765,847	38,554,191
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	10,810,696	33,869,084	48,868,079
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	520,889	1,762,659	2,754,911
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	1,702,475	9,639,975	13,504,975
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	6,560,034	72,461,416	24,597,755
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	975,042	12,703,705	6,091,019
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	7,292,099	35,545,804	54,757,003
75.	GARY, INDIANA	1,277,964	4,031,255	10,014,780
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	5,536,602	26,713,878	34,612,384
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	5,573,887	23,758,917	28,612,204
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	18,357,430	85,777,975	103,113,156
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	11,655,300	46,643,975	37,629,896
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	4,210,724	10,996,890	24,454,070
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	8,709,029	47,426,355	44,199,132
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	10,946,984	64,134,837	92,496,035
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	9,695,017	52,627,877	60,706,401
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	5,105,802	20,538,408	18,105,348
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	6,723,068	44,982,983	23,235,518
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	9,388,712	32,539,972	30,347,991
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	667,405	6,076,514	7,766,042
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	6,502,598	26,701,079	43,757,106
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	4,028,065	44,174,022	23,267,982
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	5,801,554	36,555,368	30,385,640
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	8,520,378	33,226,858	28,795,994
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	6,472,817	31,417,702	42,816,669
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	3,815,394	19,170,150	16,562,873
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	599,498	12,666,656	7,163,893
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	6,582,508	27,503,597	21,536,496
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	2,392,967	20,919,563	30,739,129
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	3,741,167	5,392,019	1,922,058
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	2,142,780	47,067,230	47,194,245
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	1,648,956	12,874,511	8,936,996
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	4,819,539	13,480,117	19,994,281
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	3,607,643	34,769,231	24,827,004
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	2,323,256	35,076,719	4,613,847
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	9,352,631	78,232,920	84,160,145
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	8,748,795	26,278,575	13,677,575
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	3,986,700	30,573,200	42,550,600
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA	7,520,772	43,506,808	24,512,449
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	3,947,402	31,729,726	45,470,791
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	3,542,859	30,766,980	56,920,419
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	1,666,785	7,803,732	33,802,619
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	2,325,000	7,634,148	10,949,300
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	9,370,830	57,556,512	36,373,496
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	381,000	15,476,479	24,427,597
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	5,216,424	48,752,060	93,673,798
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	9,134,449	17,239,833	22,027,344
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	5,696,934	15,479,924	15,750,954
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,529,637	11,021,133	21,557,882
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	6,801,768	20,929,713	29,481,196
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	8,816,772	46,442,978	51,590,205
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	3,962,760	12,106,132	11,793,676
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	4,117,275	18,573,865	30,528,896
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	6,703,558	42,907,249	28,068,801
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	1,820,325	17,043,211	16,612,080
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	3,176,007	19,336,549	8,784,888
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA	2,356,303	23,008,916	32,237,867
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	5,040,768	57,248,261	34,284,252
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	834,373	8,331,275	5,959,164
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	2,142,733	25,068,876	8,320,046
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	6,581,152	22,729,080	24,650,140
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	3,095,551	7,063,621	2,273,195
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,412,136	11,863,557	15,266,097
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,249,748	6,145,988	11,624,884
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	17,400,656	62,252,360	32,817,526
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	3,240,844	12,882,255	25,396,375
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	3,919,521	13,507,929	26,590,877
135.	CANTON, OHIO	940,767	21,608,892	15,506,768
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	8,739,745	13,720,025	8,284,097
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	5,257,720	21,000,268	100,791,892
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	18,270,136	49,306,049	55,513,377
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	709,045	9,525,554	3,734,169
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	1,591,723	6,516,857	17,053,425
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	12,547,249	46,460,247	58,259,345
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	5,072,630	62,962,523	19,390,947
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	363,935	3,416,299	2,114 339
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	4,332,680	28,085,587	31,421,071
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	3,201,483	9,456,773	63,816,792
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	493,401	8,519,019	2,848,705
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	574,769	1,579,509	1,619,061
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	1,538,758	10,912,452	27,213,415
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,171,374	5,026,640	5,068,404
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	5,121,700	40,658,600	72,737,100
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	3,445,725	23,751,153	8,685,715
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,183,083	37,179,930	7,581,060
153.	PARMA, OHIO	4,068,950	7,889,350	16,928,350
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	1,756,298	15,359,388	15,354,177
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	10,669,591	78,496,679	34,085,250
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	2,296,888	9,874,745	16,879,605
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	3,319,069	23,689,121	57,962,511
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	604,513	5,571,530	20,286,528
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	8,885,087	60,435,554	30,601,419
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	1,732,826	2,333,386	1,678,949
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	3,183,149	14,938,728	28,004,454
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	5,910,639	38,994,905	48,705,218
163.	WACO, TEXAS	4,584,628	35,824,449	39,847,221
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	2,767,304	7,535,514	7,421,946
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	349,135	11,559,451	13,603,685
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	11,112,084	36,762,413	31,589,902
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	3,298,201	34,560,987	30,799,052
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,989,524	11,221,321	7,936,152
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	1,886,301	19,394,403	2,639,699
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	357,460	3,556,380	2,834,450
171.	SPRINGIFELD, ILLINOIS	1,328,355	9,323,351	20,801,139
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	341,000	1,524,374	4,958,412
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,998,823	4,222,220	4,748,932
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	22,064,933	101,334,828	102,695,717
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	3,389,243	10,405,935	15,569,150
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	483,615	2,767,731	3,659,026
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	1,680,160	17,696,296	9,956,662
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	3,451,285	24,884,593	28,114,761
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	1,812,763	22,888,216	37,790,847
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	2,364,495	15,596,048	23,850,433
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	483,555	2,534,096	4,618,261
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	2,000,733	33,611,913	31,581,129
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	296,114	3,099,976	1,824,755
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,612,055	8,275,518	8,888,367
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	6,281,175	47,496,397	38,374,558
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	426,580	1,820,760	1,539,800
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	4,653,155	14,122,058	1,901,356
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	2,775,722	8,641,946	18,335,679
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,788,767	8,076,338	13,035,640
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	9,206,306	24,004,154	43,661,848
191.	READING, PENNSTLVANIA	1,006,263	4,467,050	3,222,491
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	3,662,889	23,114,573	40,577,799
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	882,225	79,045,177	21,279,811
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	412,407	5,347,120	6,401,480
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	1,412,937	3,766,943	14,954,143
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	2,646,007	7,970,136	22,210,823
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	800,960	14,980,850	3,507,672
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	4,278,211	15,339,492	10,445,479
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	994,875	3,045,455	5,068,380
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	551,838	44,506,259	37,820,011
	TOTALS: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,315,891,724	12,090,361,434	11,170,653,404

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES SHOW SOME IMPROVEMENT

NEW YORK, February, 13 - - Dun & Bradstreet reports that building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities staged a moderate rebound in June following a decline in both May and April. Permit values rose to $2,455,281,668 in June, exactly 6.0 per cent above May's total of $2,315,891,724. Nonetheless, valuations were down some 11.5 per cent from their year-earlier level of $2,773,160,539.

The slowdown from the comparable June 1979 period was also seen in New York, where plans filed by builders fell a bit more than 20 per cent from year-ago, $96,371,027 versus $121,577,385. It should be noted, though, that despite this decline from year-ago, filings in the city during June were actually up 1.4 per cent compared with the previous month's pace of $95,070,499.

Permit activity in the 199 cities outside New York likewise showed a gain - - of 6.2 per cent - - from its month-ago level, as permits climbed to $2,358,910,641 from $2,220,821,225 in May. Yet, like New York, the 199 cities registered a decline in valuations from their year-earlier pace; a decline of 11 percentage points from June 1979's $2,651,583,154 activity.

Notwithstanding, some individual cities registered large (percentage) gains in permit values from both month-ago and year-ago levels. Among them were Columbus, Baltimore, Raleigh, South Bend, Tampa, Jersey City, Rochester, and Newark. The borough of Brooklyn (in New York City) likewise saw large improvements in June.

For the first six months of 1980, valuations in the 200 cities reached $14,545,643,102, which represents a 4.3 per cent increase over the first six months of 1979. During that time a year earlier, permits had reached $13,943,813,943. While aggregate figures for Houston showed a decline of 17.7 per cent, its permits still exceeded one billion dollars in the first half of 1980, big enough to keep Houston first among U.S. cities.

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2. JUNE BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....	2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....		2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September...		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first six months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Six Months 1980	% Change Six Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas	1,053.5	- 17.7
2.	Los Angeles, California	966.3	+ 24.2
3.	New York, New York	622.1	+ 63.6
4.	Dallas, Texas	498.6	- 4.3
5.	Chicago, Illinois	380.8	+ 17.3
6.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	372.1	+ 343.2
7.	San Francisco, California	324.9	+ 140.5
8.	Phoenix, Arizona	315.6	- 10.2
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii	262.5	+ 14.5
10.	Austin, Texas	258.5	+ 15.0
11.	San Diego, California	257.6	- 2.0
12.	Seattle, Washington	226.6	+ 16.2
13.	Washington, D.C	206.3	+ 44.8
14.	Atlanta, Georgia	206.3	- 10.4
15.	San Jose, California	186.9	- 10.2
16.	San Antonio, Texas	175.8	+ 2.8
17.	Columbus, Ohio	173.9	+ 6.0
18.	Detroit, Michigan	166.8	+ 60.4
19.	Indianapolis, Indiana	154.9	- 1.7
20.	Memphis, Tennessee	153.5	+ 62.9
21.	Baltimore, Maryland	150.5	+ 120.1
22.	Fort Worth, Texas	145.9	+ 10.6
23.	Boston, Massachusetts	139.4	- 2.7
24.	Denver, Colorado	134.9	- 15.4
25.	Jacksonville, Florida	134.1	+ 35.4

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDIN COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL A ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		JUNE 1980	SIX MONTHS 1980	SIX MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	20,903,860	357,689,900	213,667,645
	BRONX	4,648,800	31,053,150	12,826,508
	BROOKLYN	54,020,850	108,213,150	36,103,210
	QUEENS	4,888,950	76,890,522	53,249,610
	RICHMOND	11,908,567	48,277,945	64,371,436
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	96,371,027	622,124,667	380,218,409
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	58,374,539	380,826,995	324,586,919
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	168,469,078	966,287,796	778,181,070
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	47,425,835	372,070,626	83,943,288
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	11,821,817	166,804,728	103,967,166
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	95,012,822	1,053,524,681	1,279,756,921
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	38,031,547	150,521,410	68,399,294
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	51,395,229	498,566,984	520,952,666
9.	WASHINGTON, D. C.	34,646,285	206,330,741	142,525,525
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	5,428,223	48,188,534	53,547,751
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	25,983,531	154,905,767	157,639,241
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	14,051,803	76,184,222	78,069,706
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	15,845,632	324,935,259	135,083,271
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	52,923,632	257,618,164	262,983,678
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	43,383,623	175,766,340	171,007,213
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	9,951,000	139,412,100	143,294,237
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	14,102,132	153,532,386	94,234,619
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	17,124,108	76,368,182	42,541,165
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	13,697,629	69,606,574	178,397,802
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	58,562,599	315,597,893	351,461,752
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	66,318,754	173,949,820	164,109,117
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	30,924,103	226,629,831	194,960,666
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	23,790,641	134,094,298	99,010,662
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	43,388,432	97,659,022	78,906,289
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	32,468,866	134,861,821	159,346,102
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	18,020,482	71,397,638	83,511,352
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	19,573,134	206,305,003	230,226,825
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	2,764,548	16,306,010	15,200,315
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	5,811,395	89,503,199	80,160,776
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	18,631,963	82,560,712	126,153,870
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	51,402,309	186,866,105	207,985,680
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	21,608,720	111,138,762	136,789,364
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	24,695,530	145,872,190	131,937,077
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	14,119,104	49,961,821	56,450,903
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	11,919,060	123,734,280	126,894,926
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	12,284,083	21,677,371	14,105,465
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	14,027,072	117,267,047	164,935,603
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	7,670,158	71,842,405	46,064,321
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	3,117,498	23,803,915	18,481,906
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	17,262,490	65,157,517	56,678,372
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	9,847,810	38,427,446	66,604,528
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	5,073,631	98,566,789	73,173,273
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	16,080,200	127,470,778	126,910,325
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	33,942,200	262,451,904	229,165,171
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	14,825,437	100,300,945	111,412,943
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	5,680,023	76,941,180	63,672,601
47.	NORFORK, VIRGINIA	2,292,412	31,729,593	24,722,435
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	30,153,109	98,609,180	56,338,052
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	12,648,407	36,317,541	14,387,583
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	22,620,474	98,208,321	41,505,200
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	13,102,104	66,931,115	85,122,080
52.	AKRON, OHIO	2,506,712	26,163,170	21,680,134
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	9,584,600	61,950,933	103,336,404
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	15,243,900	33,076,610	9,684,181
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	13,619,755	70,990,419	145,308,944
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	46,864,450	258,476,215	224,719,141
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	10,335,630	63,601,323	23,809,356
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	17,665,956	105,504,098	150,124,074
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	2,639,381	33,982,155	49,345,057
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	19,932,235	85,687,924	67,947,948
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	12,841,997	53,164,257	45,376,438
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	19,439,732	100,127,218	90,741,777
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	543,035	11,376,817	7,782,898
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	16,234,962	33,180,493	46,007,043
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	8,334,252	60,669,319	21,219,803
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	5,404,544	9,194,928	36,509,659
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	4,796,609	21,270,462	20,287,733
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	5,948,958	87,714,805	49,141,553
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	9,486,392	43,355,476	56,593,977
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	283,863	2,046,522	3,854,670
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	2,706,800	12,346,775	14,521,875
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	7,520,761	79,982,177	32,225,313
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	1,056,778	13,760,483	7,164,860
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	7,449,023	42,994,827	70,372,580
75.	GARY, INDIANA	747,237	4,778,492	10,715,535
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	6,098,110	32,811,988	41,370,259
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	7,305,918	31,064,835	35,412,482
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	21,046,214	106,824,189	126,833,784
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	5,991,057	52,635,032	84,314,734
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	3,238,054	14,234,944	28,556,744
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	11,387,321	58,813,676	52,704,871
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	8,353,818	72,488,655	122,385,812
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	11,154,406	63,782,283	79,777,162
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	3,600,296	24,138,704	36,982,677
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	7,136,638	52,119,621	24,939,427
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	3,686,670	36,226,642	51,340,133
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	345,550	6,422,064	8,411,932
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	19,359,422	46,060,501	60,175,641
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	2,620,920	46,794,942	26,603,515
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	6,987,011	43,542,377	38,448,460
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	6,388,720	39,615,578	38,490,513
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	6,917,923	38,335,625	52,109,969
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	3,182,195	22,352,345	22,163,324
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	1,180,880	12,847,536	8,214,929
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	16,537,510	44,041,107	34,532,330
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	18,890,027	39,809,590	38,093,366
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	326,126	5,718,145	4,461,031
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	7,617,095	54,684,325	50,892,030
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	5,392,938	18,267,449	11,706,803
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,352,159	16,832,276	27,899,313
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	7,569,975	42,339,206	34,106,124
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	1,208,855	36,285,574	7,491,844
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	20,025,233	98,258,153	103,950,983
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	3,783,095	30,061,670	18,377,405
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	8,793,900	39,367,100	57,404,000
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR.	2,975,572	46,482,380	31,340,173
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	3,649,667	35,379,393	57,228,539
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	15,616,433	46,383,413	62,711,142
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	2,408,899	10,012,631	36,287,952
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	863,900	8,498,048	11,358,110
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	10,157,256	67,713,768	41,328,694
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	5,229,880	20,706,359	28,696,844
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	21,584,754	70,336,814	116,341,012
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	27,891,303	45,131,136	26,668,455
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	6,439,110	21,919,034	18,956,070
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,528,602	12,549,735	25,599,139
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	4,247,654	25,177,367	33,224,181
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	28,930,312	75,373,290	62,369,270
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	1,892,234	13,998,366	13,978,478
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	2,157,432	20,731,297	44,883,438
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	3,470,239	46,377,488	35,279,762
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	3,941,838	20,985,049	22,993,532
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,471,788	20,808,337	15,931,585
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF	2,326,619	25,335,535	38,789,963
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	11,869,904	69,118,165	39,951,934
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	1,123,914	9,455,189	7,405,965
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	1,710,350	26,779,226	9,268,522
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	13,294,647	36,023,727	42,034,273
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	376,100	7,439,721	2,668,080
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,173,703	13,037,260	16,768,298
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,624,735	7,770,723	12,948,368
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	1,970,224	64,222,584	49,002,004
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	2,226,557	15,108,812	33,046,447
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	3,274,893	16,782,822	36,308,321
135.	CANTON, OHIO	1,645,780	23,254,672	17,712,672
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	3,213,190	16,933,215	8,755,022
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	4,448,056	25,448,324	120,694,753
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	14,243,779	63,549,828	67,147,033
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	6,796,283	16,321,837	5,860,999
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	565,197	7,082,054	25,485,679
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	17,460,487	63,920,734	76,030,197
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	2,405,251	65,367,774	52,179,879
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	843,999	4,260,298	2,727,312
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF	8,578,234	36,663,821	33,803,529
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	2,762,229	12,219,002	69,216,725
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	1,494,683	10,013,702	3,702,761
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	54,334	1,633,843	1,672,711
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	3,338,305	14,250,757	28,039,683
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	440,289	5,466,929	6,201,667
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	11,657,300	52,315,900	110,564,300
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	1,425,910	25,177,063	12,659,123
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	13,387,829	50,567,759	15,303,223
153.	FARMA, OHIO	1,805,305	9,694,655	17,965,850
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	7,147,905	22,507,293	18,214,455
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	10,911,004	89,407,683	39,893,901
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	2,992,375	12,867,120	23,460,640
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	3,093,013	26,782,134	73,501,631
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,380,569	6,952,099	22,251,021
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	26,290,883	86,726,437	47,449,681
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	531,700	2,865,086	2,151,689
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	7,730,680	22,669,408	30,613,011
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	7,817,967	46,812,872	54,636,882
163.	WACO, TEXAS	3,535,558	39,360,007	51,586,093
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	8,198,999	15,734,513	10,483,345
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	9,365,520	20,924,971	15,946,435
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	7,676,924	44,439,337	41,628,093
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	9,678,369	44,239,356	38,629,262
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,342,576	12,563,897	10,756,266
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	223,224	19,617,627	6,195,931
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	448,470	4,004,850	3,365,260
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	2,678,052	12,001,403	24,341,547
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	4,091,629	5,616,003	5,164,668
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	625,590	4,847,810	6,685,620
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	12,333,275	113,668,103	150,538,200
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	1,531,422	11,937,357	17,432,876
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	296,939	3,064,670	6,188,756
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	2,078,723	19,775,019	10,859,473
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	6,626,314	31,510,907	31,677,242
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	18,865,891	41,754,107	45,808,773
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	2,802,477	18,398,525	32,537,901
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,305,435	3,839,531	10,002,696
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	3,156,754	36,768,667	39,116,503
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	657,610	3,757,586	2,256,587
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	2,881,798	11,157,316	14,345,784
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	4,139,298	51,635,695	45,184,309
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	766,356	2,587,116	2,373,800
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	829,213	14,951,271	5,552,528
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	3,390,723	12,032,669	22,277,852
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	5,736,733	13,813,071	16,807,964
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	8,783,510	32,787,664	51,344,340
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	522,137	4,989,187	4,799,034
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	13,431,843	36,546,416	46,846,340
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	2,447,669	81,492,846	27,632,475
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	1,567,318	6,914,438	7,538,826
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	234,683	4,001,626	16,630,652
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	6,217,165	14,187,301	23,726,389
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	495,925	15,476,775	4,519,410
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	7,394,446	22,733,938	15,456,313
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	525,125	3,570,580	5,614,580
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	4,175,082	48,681,341	38,359,265
	TOTALS: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,455,281,668	14,545,643,102	13,943,813,943

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES CLIMB TO AN ELEVEN-MONTH HIGH

NEW YORK, March 3--Following a moderate upturn the month before, building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities climbed again in July to their highest level in eleven months, reports Dun & Bradstreet. July permit volume totalled $2,954,515,163, a sizeable 20.3 per cent more than the $2,455,281,668 total in June. Moreover, for the first time in three months, permit values exceeded their comparable year-ago level, as they were up 10.2 per cent from July 1979's level of $2,680,322,050.

Plans filed by builders in New York rose 13.7 per cent in July to $109,611,517 from $96,371,027 the month before, but, they were down almost seven per cent versus their $117,773,762 pace of a year earlier. Nonetheless, the individual borough of Manhattan did experience big gains in July.

Building permits in the 199 cities outside New York grew 20.6 per cent between June and July, to $2,844,903,646 from $2,358,910,641. One of these cities, Atlanta, saw permits jump sharply in July, to more than $100 million, from less than $20 million in June. Permits in the 199 cities also advanced eleven per cent in comparison with their July 1979 level of $2,562,548,288. Houston showed a huge increase in activity from both its month-ago period and year-ago period, as permits issued in the city exceeded $236 million in July--the highest in the nation. Some other cities also registered large month-to-month and year-to-year increases. Among them were Tulsa, Honolulu, Memphis, New Orleans, Las Vegas, Brockton (Massachusetts), Detroit, Cincinnati, and Hollywood (Florida).

During the first seven months of 1980, permit values in the 200 cities totalled $17,500,158,265, or 5.3 per cent more than the $16,624,135,993 during the like span in 1979. Of the twenty-five cities with the largest (seven-month) aggregate figures for 1980, fully seventeen of them posted gains over 1979. Of these seventeen, Philadelphia marked the largest percentage gain as permits there nearly tripled...to almost $415 million.

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2. JULY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....	2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....	2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....		2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September...		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first seven months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Seven Months 1980	%Change Seven Months 1979	
1.	Houston, Texas.....	1,289.7	-	8.2
2.	Los Angeles, California.....	1,164.7	+	28.1
3.	New York, New York.....	731.7	+	46.9
4.	Dallas, Texas.....	554.9	-	8.4
5.	Chicago, Illinois.....	444.6	+	1.5
6.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.....	414.9	+	199.5
7.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	377.6	-	7.6
8.	San Francisco, California.....	348.1	+	83.0
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	330.4	+	22.7
10.	San Diego, California.....	325.3	-	0.1
11.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	306.8	-	3.0
12.	Austin, Texas.....	292.1	+	14.7
13.	Seattle, Washington.....	275.6	+	22.3
14.	Washington, D.C.....	252.7	+	43.9
15.	San Jose, California.....	224.3	-	13.6
16.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	221.3	+	93.4
17.	San Antonio, Texas.....	215.0	+	9.7
18.	Columbus, Ohio.....	204.1	+	7.4
19.	Baltimore, Maryland.....	200.2	+	130.6
20.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	195.9	+	28.7
21.	Indianapolis, Indiana.....	194.3	+	3.0
22.	Detroit, Michigan.....	191.1	+	70.7
23.	Jacksonville, Florida.....	162.8	+	43.0
24.	Fort Worth, Texas.....	161.4	-	12.6
25.	Denver, Colorado.....	157.6	-	10.9

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		JULY 1980	SEVEN MONTHS 1980	SEVEN MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	83,480,537	441,170,437	234,518,945
	BRONX	4,093,200	35,146,350	35,229,033
	BROOKLYN	9,019,753	117,232,903	93,784,270
	QUEENS	7,618,125	84,508,647	62,366,885
	RICHMOND	5,399,902	53,677,847	72,093,038
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	109,611,517	731,736,184	497,992,171
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	63,730,182	444,557,177	438,122,172
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	198,397,788	1,164,685,584	909,483,764
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	42,795,997	414,866,623	138,533,903
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	24,280,509	191,085,237	111,952,771
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	236,140,149	1,289,664,830	1,405,049,444
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	49,669,093	200,190,503	86,815,429
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	56,324,736	554,891,720	605,821,424
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	46,396,965	252,727,706	175,641,106
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	11,690,897	59,879,431	59,934,028
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	39,345,521	194,251,288	188,642,708
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	14,782,687	90,966,909	86,505,322
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	23,160,552	348,095,811	190,182,342
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	67,704,070	325,322,234	325,485,752
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	39,249,609	215,015,949	195,993,568
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	7,907,800	147,319,900	171,341,237
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	67,786,660	221,319,046	114,410,557
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	12,681,860	89,050,042	51,325,438
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	45,333,889	114,940,463	191,772,104
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	62,000,565	377,598,458	408,643,151
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	30,192,548	204,142,368	190,035,506
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	49,008,562	275,638,393	225,455,019
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	28,702,648	162,796,946	113,805,630
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	9,636,765	107,295,787	85,329,087
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	22,759,586	157,621,407	176,938,950
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	20,891,172	92,288,810	104,402,524
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	100,464,811	306,769,814	316,292,239
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	4,605,817	20,911,827	17,310,369
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	23,680,794	113,183,993	92,325,123
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	28,767,773	111,328,485	171,650,601
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	37,481,594	224,347,699	259,531,678
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	16,678,090	127,816,852	158,050,567
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	15,537,994	161,410,184	184,639,574
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	9,108,787	59,070,608	62,552,720
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	26,157,010	149,891,290	145,849,811
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	6,153,008	27,830,379	15,948,215
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	31,738,569	149,005,616	189,869,304
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	7,743,451	79,585,856	53,776,746
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	5,972,450	29,776,365	20,771,764
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	18,313,054	83,470,571	62,561,387
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	9,007,073	47,434,519	77,423,359
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	9,845,061	108,411,850	92,097,273
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	68,409,950	195,880,728	152,244,525
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	67,948,561	330,400,465	269,173,516
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	20,711,319	121,012,264	127,182,958
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	8,408,246	85,349,426	78,809,391
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	4,863,578	36,593,171	47,258,998
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	12,050,369	110,659,549	69,344,903
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	13,252,151	49,569,692	17,018,974
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	31,386,286	129,594,607	49,000,994
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	15,601,210	82,532,325	104,430,485
52.	AKRON, OHIO	12,907,660	39,070,830	24,946,947
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	18,228,852	80,179,785	123,558,838
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	625,945	33,702,555	10,316,486
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	20,377,162	91,367,581	174,587,938
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	33,632,500	292,108,715	254,696,141
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	2,091,471	65,692,794	27,332,572
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	24,126,707	129,630,805	176,986,746
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	2,517,549	36,499,704	55,724,045
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	29,327,042	115,014,966	79,028,802
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	6,475,260	59,639,517	53,123,203
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	12,814,607	112,941,825	106,695,365
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	588,275	11,965,092	8,464,898
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	14,035,193	47,215,686	62,841,671
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	5,986,585	66,655,904	26,139,614
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	1,349,924	10,544,852	36,960,314
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	2,174,445	23,444,907	31,161,712
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	3,850,478	91,565,283	53,264,731
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	11,301,524	54,657,000	70,875,913
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	421,899	2,468,421	4,652,553
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	675,250	13,022,025	17,133,435
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	6,247,021	86,229,198	40,442,968
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	475,765	14,236,248	9,250,961
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	11,186,295	54,181,122	89,232,682
75.	GARY, INDIANA	5,313,331	10,091,823	12,426,614
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	12,949,200	45,761,188	46,410,496
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	5,819,223	36,884,058	40,221,870
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	24,993,304	131,817,583	153,949,518
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	9,969,106	62,604,138	96,755,795
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	2,745,769	16,980,713	38,546,344
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	10,272,580	69,086,256	61,172,466
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	12,508,363	84,995,018	140,635,129
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	17,385,590	81,167,873	98,939,703
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	2,090,722	26,229,426	38,182,299
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	16,490,456	68,610,077	30,109,190
86.	SANTA ANAM CALIFORNIA	2,906,890	39,133,532	54,813,444
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	769,587	7,191,651	11,434,985
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	7,469,322	53,529,823	70,933,854
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	2,402,266	49,197,208	30,182,372
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	7,037,909	50,580,286	43,654,920
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	4,766,763	44,382,341	45,742,477
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	3,636,467	41,992,092	63,257,270
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	11,554,330	33,906,675	33,215,778
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	1,073,847	14,921,383	8,925,050
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	9,368,767	53,409,874	42,046,856
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	5,530,180	45,339,770	42,274,602
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	364,761	6,082,906	5,692,758
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	5,499,710	60,184,035	56,682,345
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	1,159,784	19,427,233	15,156,461
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,401,919	20,234,195	33,441,781
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	7,504,834	49,844,040	40,998,985
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	1,166,645	37,452,219	8,264,195
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	16,580,931	114,839,084	121,606,619
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	17,549,950	47,611,620	22,800,870
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	10,304,900	49,672,000	62,449,500
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR.	7,478,201	53,960,581	35,607,993
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	3,042,955	38,422,348	64,438,317
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	11,276,712	57,660,125	77,825,538
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	2,126,299	12,138,930	40,352,792
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	488,000	8,986,048	12,691,080
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	9,088,438	76,802,206	48,174,191
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	3,114,992	23,821,351	32,480,859
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	41,058,664	211,395,478	137,006,771
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	2,492,454	47,623,590	31,068,685
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	7,190,644	29,109,678	25,520,866
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	5,163,837	17,713,572	34,063,626
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	7,671,471	32,848,838	36,719,344
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	13,454,393	88,827,683	75,579,106
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,334,280	16,332,646	22,935,014
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	4,504,637	25,235,934	49,984,726
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	6,935,661	53,313,149	45,621,354
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	2,418,545	23,403,594	25,407,615
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,735,079	22,543,416	20,154,733
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CAL	10,636,876	35,972,411	48,417,617
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	11,153,085	80,271,250	47,574,226
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	4,267,334	13,722,523	10,696,832
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	4,513,080	31,292,306	11,040,330
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	15,032,857	51,056,584	45,419,928
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	775,676	8,215,397	3,755,039
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	3,123,555	16,160,815	20,100,122
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	2,129,319	9,900,042	14,717,787
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	2,330,796	66,553,380	61,967,383
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	2,928,320	18,037,132	41,778,794
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	4,585,699	21,368,521	63,701,619
135.	CANTON, OHIO	5,618,341	28,873,013	22,172,089
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	2,068,394	19,001,609	11,660,340
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	4,729,135	30,177,459	124,347,353
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	9,185,632	72,735,460	76,334,339
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	1,466,266	17,788,103	8,038,144
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	990,871	8,072,925	25,893,817
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	6,447,990	70,368,724	95,472,937
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	19,832,879	85,200,653	59,396,746
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	304,105	4,564,403	4,078,561
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	4,817,026	41,480,847	42,514,065
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	9,400,949	21,619,951	72,470,656
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	677,916	10,691,618	4,918,769
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	428,350	2,062,193	2,448,246
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	4,982,005	19,232,762	32,528,156
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSSETTS	612,876	6,079,805	6,932,307
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	13,389,800	65,705,700	119,881,900
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	3,792,712	28,969,775	14,944,296
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,928,534	52,496,293	21,697,121
153.	PARMA, OHIO	1,086,900	10,781,555	19,074,450
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	1,693,890	24,201,183	19,348,818
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	6,631,999	96,039,682	43,122,429
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	3,060,821	15,927,941	56,465,722
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	3,971,014	30,753,148	84,195,660
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,772,994	8,725,093	25,134,867
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	21,549,323	108,275,760	54,741,514
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	599,765	3,464,851	2,248,139
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	5,130,170	27,799,578	33,056,863
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	10,513,015	57,325,887	66,133,271
163.	WACO, TEXAS	3,324,398	42,684,405	58,595,915
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	1,490,023	17,224,536	12,946,759
165.	OWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	568,894	21,493,865	16,781,200
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	6,024,085	50,463,422	49,814,818
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	13,210,252	57,449,608	43,144,724
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	2,617,449	15,181,346	16,950,723
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	1,396,765	21,014,392	7,544,375
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	287,670	4,292,520	4,386,290
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	3,508,965	15,510,368	41,394,849
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	1,679,260	7,295,263	5,658,888
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	3,440,267	8,288,077	7,351,404
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	32,549,252	146,217,355	180,452,197
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	1,673,589	13,610,946	19,591,327
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	684,155	3,748,825	6,992,896
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	560,279	20,335,298	13,353,473
178.	ABILENE, VIRGINIA	4,380,130	35,891,037	38,517,498
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	6,295,132	48,049,239	51,484,257
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	2,779,984	21,178,509	44,761,293
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	38,886,389	42,725,920	10,785,441
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	2,402,707	39,171,374	41,770,446
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	375,435	4,133,021	2,516,221
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	2,164,765	13,322,081	15,476,718
185.	SNATA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	10,712,614	62,348,309	61,850,471
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	328,800	2,915,916	2,902,200
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	4,751,935	19,703,206	6,222,584
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	3,035,058	15,067,727	42,122,911
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,957,302	15,770,373	23,239,888
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	9,060,519	41,848,183	58,603,076
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	1,001,490	5,990,677	5,535,450
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	1,831,693	38,378,109	54,842,215
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	8,826,725	90,319,571	28,582,709
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	561,506	7,475,944	10,650,004
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	1,369,550	5,371,176	17,747,175
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	999,548	15,186,849	27,107,114
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	1,409,852	16,886,627	4,873,443
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	1,454,897	24,188,835	16,605,047
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	508,000	4,078,580	6,229,280
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	578,060	49,259,401	40,226,188
TOTALS:	200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,954,515,163	17,500,158,265	16,624,135,993

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES SLOW AFTER HITTING AN ELEVEN-MONTH HIGH

NEW YORK, March 6, 1981 - - Dun & Bradstreet reports that building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities subsided in August, after reaching an eleven-month high a month earlier. Permit activity in August was down 12.7 per cent, to $2,580,497,908 from $2,954,515,163 in July. Permits also showed a 13.6 per cent decline from a rather accelerated year-ago pace of $2,986,549,135.

Plans filed by builders in New York fell 45.6 per cent in August to $59,669,497 from July's level of $109,611,517. Plans were likewise off some 46.4 per cent from their August 1979 mark of $111,297,060.

Although permit transactions in the 199 cities outside New York slowed 11.4 per cent in August, going from $2,844,903,646 (one month earlier) to $2,520,828,411, this nonetheless represented the second best performance for the 199 cities in ten months. Moreover, despite a month-to-month decrease for the 199 cities as a whole, several of the 199 did register sizeable individual gains (over July levels). Among them were Dallas, Seattle, Philadelphia, Detroit, Birmingham, Louisville, Minneapolis, and Boston. It should be noted, however, that the 199 cities (together) registered a 12.3 per cent decline in permits during August in comparison with a rather high year-earlier level of $2,875,252,075.

Valuations in the full 200 cities reached $20,080,656,173 for the first eight months of 1980. This was 2.4 per cent more than the $19,610,685,128 recorded during the like period in 1979. The actual number of individual cities marking increases (in eight-month cumulative dollar amounts) was almost equal to the number marking decreases.

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2. AUGUST BUILDING-- PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....	2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....	2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....	2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September...		2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

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Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first eight months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Eight Months 1980	%change Eight Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas.....	1497.7	- 4.1
2.	Los Angeles, California.....	1284.9	+ 18.2
3.	New York, New York.....	791.4	+ 29.9
4.	Dallas, Texas.....	649.1	- 2.0
5.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.....	493.1	+ 196.8
6.	Chicago, Illinois.....	491.6	- 5.1
7.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	432.7	- 8.6
8.	San Diego, California.....	384.8	- 2.9
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	381.7	+ 15.3
10.	San Francisco, California.....	370.3	+ 15.3
11.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	361.5	+ 5.2
12.	Seattle, Washington.....	355.0	+ 1.6
13.	Austin, Texas.....	330.9	+ 12.5
14.	Washington, D.C.....	301.1	+ 64.9
15.	San Jose, California.....	271.0	- 15.2
16.	San Antonio, Texas.....	247.7	+ 5.9
17.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	237.7	+ 33.3
18.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	237.1	+ 86.6
19.	Indianapolis, Indiana.....	235.6	- 7.1
20.	Detroit, Michigan.....	229.9	+ 85.6
21.	Columbus, Ohio.....	223.5	- 13.6
22.	Baltimore, Maryland.....	207.4	+ 94.3
23.	Jacksonville, Florida.....	184.9	+ 22.5
24.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	13.8	- 16.4
25.	Fort Worth, Texas.....	178.2	- 20.7

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHING THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		AUGUST 1980	EIGHT MONTHS 1980	EIGHT MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	35,961,999	477,132,436	288,331,295
	BRONX	2,222,160	37,368,510	73,059,133
	BROOKLYN	8,916,700	126,149,603	101,783,980
	QUEENS	11,899,838	96,408,485	68,884,058
	RICHMOND	668,800	54,346,647	77,230,765
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	59,669,497	791,405,681	609,289,231
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	47,036,707	491,593,884	517,833,127
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	120,206,297	1,284,891,881	1,087,158,253
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	78,247,904	493,114,527	166,148,585
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	38,791,958	229,877,195	123,873,588
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	208,012,385	1,497,677,215	1,561,295,280
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	7,254,122	207,444,625	106,749,182
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	94,290,836	649,182,556	662,629,876
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	48,363,896	301,091,602	182,592,221
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	2,909,041	62,788,472	69,508,513
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	41,372,960	235,624,248	220,019,894
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	16,397,812	107,364,721	102,327,421
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	22,189,216	370,285,027	321,195,801
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	59,453,177	384,775,411	396,375,334
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	32,638,806	247,654,755	233,917,392
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	22,845,000	170,164,900	254,032,237
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	15,772,887	237,091,933	127,056,718
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	8,262,412	97,312,454	66,967,633
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	10,690,212	125,630,675	212,813,802
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	55,103,088	432,701,546	473,395,393
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	19,322,814	223,465,182	258,739,680
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	79,389,108	355,027,501	349,452,845
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	22,097,179	184,894,125	150,947,944
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	6,092,712	113,388,499	91,152,545
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	19,478,583	177,099,990	253,450,765
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	18,769,007	111,057,817	124,596,389
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	54,744,240	361,514,054	343,574,869
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,310,719	22,222,546	22,674,570
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	22,999,648	136,183,641	107,236,418
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	33,874,154	145,202,639	188,376,189
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	46,635,050	270,982,749	319,648,132
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	28,809,335	156,626,187	167,196,029
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	16,808,742	178,218,926	224,737,936
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	10,030,111	69,100,719	81,010,207
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	12,657,165	162,548,455	169,582,996
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	1,733,625	29,564,004	16,935,734
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	34,808,048	183,813,664	219,855,600
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	12,225,553	91,811,409	76,431,610
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	33,944,332	63,720,697	24,979,275
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	9,466,840	92,937,411	76,101,611
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	13,217,799	60,652,318	88,699,139
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	16,256,306	124,668,156	100,677,149
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	41,790,574	237,671,302	178,239,054
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	51,263,702	381,664,167	331,014,273
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	15,599,084	136,611,348	167,141,359
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	5,657,560	91,006,986	102,703,456
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	2,970,963	39,564,134	51,692,417
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	35,488,954	146,148,503	80,386,947
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	3,403,420	52,973,112	28,256,232
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	28,094,667	157,689,274	53,632,594
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	13,452,910	95,985,235	128,312,785
52.	AKRON, OHIO	6,114,778	45,185,608	35,205,566
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	16,892,424	97,072,209	145,074,389
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	410,300	34,112,855	11,823,576
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	12,000,230	103,367,811	200,138,498
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	38,774,600	330,883,315	294,089,841
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	3,509,753	69,202,547	30,779,204
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	15,361,557	144,992,362	213,479,417
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	9,945,056	46,444,760	72,714,427
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	18,932,438	133,947,404	97,205,008
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	4,442,820	64,082,337	56,243,868
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	7,925,566	120,867,391	128,322,682
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	1,996,000	13,961,092	9,077,598
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	13,215,248	60,430,934	72,268,933
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	1,879,325	68,535,229	45,667,387
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	1,940,194	12,485,046	40,614,443
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	14,905,921	38,350,828	33,635,981
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	8,319,008	99,884,291	70,111,299
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	6,529,009	61,186,009	78,070,033
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	286,065	2,754,486	5,738,445
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	1,153,350	14,175,375	19,049,135
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	12,142,972	98,372,170	46,432,690
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	5,516,178	19,752,426	10,072,070
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	10,545,546	64,726,668	99,981,740
75.	GARY, INDIANA	591,067	10,682,890	12,952,225
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	6,768,717	52,529,905	58,632,499
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	6,567,265	43,451,323	44,524,471
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	25,009,717	156,827,300	175,660,339
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	6,532,925	69,137,063	168,577,161
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	3,806,461	20,787,174	41,688,751
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	15,345,195	84,431,451	77,297,960
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	20,060,354	105,055,372	157,101,379
83.	BATON, ROUGE, LOUISIANA	16,460,246	97,628,119	110,254,233
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,969,362	28,198,788	39,546,479
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	6,246,840	74,856,917	34,734,744
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	12,262,735	51,396,267	57,674,443
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	759,775	7,951,426	12,815,328
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	9,925,580	63,455,403	83,251,026
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	6,311,523	55,508,731	36,933,950
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	16,438,652	67,018,938	54,947,677
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	8,823,434	53,205,775	55,876,505
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	8,427,453	50,419,545	73,589,968
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	3,583,126	37,489,801	35,940,246
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	802,520	15,723,903	10,658,809
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	14,380,270	67,790,144	56,031,796
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	2,706,274	48,046,044	53,315,783
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	196,298	6,279,204	5,944,838
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	7,511,366	67,695,401	62,327,555
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	3,223,343	22,650,576	18,179,603
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,859,901	24,094,096	35,985,844
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	5,530,998	55,375,038	45,624,876
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	1,269,150	38,721,369	14,064,945
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	18,007,494	132,846,578	142,145,489
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	5,629,070	53,240,690	28,598,415
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	4,843,100	54,515,100	72,998,900
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR	6,864,320	50,824,901	41,949,950
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	9,809,133	48,231,481	70,418,773
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	6,048,088	63,708,213	90,681,475
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	4,543,484	16,682,414	45,648,560
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	617,740	9,603,788	17,766,269
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	3,750,997	80,553,203	54,110,781
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	1,302,100	25,123,451	36,264,874
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	23,442,759	134,838,237	166,252,147
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	5,607,742	53,231,332	32,853,638
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	7,433,370	36,543,048	36,545,151
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,092,612	18,806,184	36,701,923
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	8,635,675	41,484,513	40,690,165
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	12,484,201	101,311,884	88,973,602
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,634,031	18,966,677	32,588,171
120.	SPRINGIFIELD, MISSOURI	5,225,464	30,461,398	64,656,527
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	8,136,823	61,449,972	48,691,115
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	2,756,430	26,160,024	28,340,872
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,988,782	24,532,198	21,424,316
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CAL	2,583,812	38,556,223	54,962,393
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	8,884,901	89,156,151	55,415,311
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	1,610,883	15,333,406	15,142,391
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	1,082,903	32,375,209	12,285,830
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	6,036,653	57,093,237	51,108,227
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	378,502	8,593,899	5,844,439
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,618,263	17,779,078	22,712,106
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	2,002,407	11,902,449	17,069,663
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	3,603,571	70,156,951	64,418,860
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	6,389,037	24,426,169	47,739,652
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	4,781,000	26,149,521	71,378,507
135.	CANTON, OHIO	931,670	29,804,683	23,215,716
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	1,119,784	20,121,393	15,393,995
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	2,805,133	37,982,592	139,439,663
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	8,281,364	81,016,824	96,354,578
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	1,277,055	19,065,158	9,376,964
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	1,678,702	9,751,627	26,750,230
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	10,103,441	80,472,165	110,409,669
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	1,675,070	86,875,723	62,673,684
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	759,009	5,323,412	4,462,684
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	7,060,742	48,541,589	47,955,272
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	3,123,100	24,743,051	85,952,021
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	511,501	11,203,119	5,504,643
147.	CAMDEN, NEWJERSEY	243,545	2,305,738	2,583,519
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	5,378,273	24,611,035	33,407,068
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	330,300	6,410,105	7,560,627
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	4,930,400	70,636,100	121,201,900
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	2,267,526	31,237,301	18,443,681
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,665,760	54,162,053	25,359,229
153.	PARMA, OHIO	688,275	11,469,830	20,684,250
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	2,092,478	26,293,661	22,439,953
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	4,963,772	101,003,454	50,516,546
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	3,623,108	19,551,049	59,465,934
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	5,135,626	35,888,774	92,360,525
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,056,605	9,781,698	27,440,212
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	16,640,544	124,916,304	56,914,037
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	944,850	4,409,701	4,965,089
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	7,477,065	35,276,643	35,884,580
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	6,397,051	63,722,938	75,193,713
163.	WACO, TEXAS	3,087,883	45,772,288	65,092,370
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	11,268,738	28,493,274	15,551,376
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	684,865	22,178,730	17,336,864
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	10,280,009	60,743,431	52,489,572
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	6,974,739	64,424,347	50,082,936
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,375,439	16,556,785	18,987,886
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	509,322	21,523,714	7,972,245
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	856,190	5,148,710	4,909,670
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	15,429,093	30,939,461	47,012,231
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	3,636,650	10,931,913	7,095,322
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,669,868	9,957,965	8,258,704
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	20,766,978	166,984,333	210,010,776
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	2,089,510	15,700,456	22,463,315
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	199,600	3,948,425	7,734,111
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	4,762,757	25,098,055	14,228,304
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	7,721,607	43,612,644	42,879,401
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	2,767,945	50,817,184	56,564,062
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	6,525,445	27,703,954	50,575,659
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,656,834	44,382,754	12,000,706
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	3,738,590	42,909,964	45,744,962
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	536,315	4,669,336	2,728,173
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,556,812	14,878,893	18,333,018
185.	SANTA MONTIOA, CALIFORNIA	8,186,911	70,535,220	73,942,289
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	583,230	3,499,146	3,424,000
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	319,682	20,022,888	7,193,586
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	4,225,715	19,293,442	47,142,781
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	10,104,777	25,875,150	25,187,361
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	13,431,331	55,279,514	63,146,125
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	919,374	6,910,051	6,405,061
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	9,933,334	48,311,443	64,258,366
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	1,532,097	91,851,668	32,058,252
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	438,866	7,914,810	11,628,547
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	2,901,368	8,272,544	19,416,188
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	907,675	16,094,524	30,695,997
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	365,869	17,252,496	12,228,068
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	4,629,343	28,818,178	24,520,122
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	364,200	4,442,780	7,106,755
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	561,829	49,821,230	43,465,602
	TOTAL: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,580,497,908	20,080,656,173	19,610,685,128

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BUILDING PERMITS IN THE 200 LARGEST CITIES REBOUND

NEW YORK, March 17--According to Dun & Bradstreet, building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities rebounded 14.1 per cent in September to $2,943,590,806 after slowing to $2,580,497,908 in the month prior. D&B also reports that permits marked a 4.2 per cent gain over their comparable September 1979 level of $2,825,024,489.

Plans filed by builders in New York upturned in September to a level of $71,033,175. This represented a 19 per cent improvement from the sizeable drop to $59,669,497 in August. Filings in New York likewise exceeded their year-earlier level of $65,581,478 by 8.3 percentage points.

Permit activity in the 199 cities outside New York also bounced back during September to a thirteen-month high. They reached $2,872,557,631 during September, 14 per cent more than the $2,520,828,411 recorded one month earlier. And, compared with their year-ago level of $2,759,443,011, permits were up 4.1 per cent in these 199 cities. Individually, Fort Worth saw issuances leap to $134.4 million in September, significantly above both month-ago and year-ago levels. Other cities with sizeable percentage gains from August and from September 1979 included Los Angeles, St. Louis, Oklahoma City, Lowell (Mass.), Colorado Springs, and Glendale (Calif.).

During the first three quarters of 1980, permits in all 200 cities reached $23,024,246,979, bettering by 2.6 per cent the $22,435,709,617 reading for the like span in 1979. Of the twenty-five cities with the highest nine-month cumulative figures for 1980, five were in the state of Texas; four were in California, and two in Oklahoma.

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2. SEPTEMBER BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February.....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....	2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....	2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....	2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September....	2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....		2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November.....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December.....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL.....		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first nine months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Nine Months 1980	% Change Nine Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas.....	1687.1	- 0.4
2.	Los Angeles, California.....	1469.5	+ 20.8
3.	New York, New York.....	862.4	+ 27.8
4.	Dallas, Texas.....	747.0	+ 3.9
5.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.....	539.0	+ 108.8
6.	Chicago, Illinois.....	528.4	- 12.5
7.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	514.1	- 4.0
8.	San Diego, California.....	444.3	- 21.5
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	408.2	+ 5.7
10.	San Francisco, California.....	404.8	+ 6.5
11.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	394.5	+ 10.4
12.	Seattle, Washington.....	379.7	- 3.0
13.	Austin, Texas.....	361.3	+ 10.5
14.	Washington, D. C.....	324.7	+ 48.0
15.	San Jose, California.....	314.3	- 10.6
16.	San Antonio, Texas.....	313.3	+ 11.1
17.	Fort Worth, Texas.....	312.6	+ 22.0
18.	Indianapolis, Indiana.....	285.5	+ 14.4
19.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	276.0	+ 7.6
20.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	267.3	+ 24.9
21.	Detroit, Michigan.....	264.8	+ 75.7
22.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	264.2	+ 66.3
23.	Columbus, Ohio.....	251.3	- 13.8
24.	Baltimore, Maryland.....	215.6	+ 43.8
25.	Jacksonville, Florida.....	210.5	+ 25.6

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		SEPTEMBER 1980	NINE MONTHS 1980	NINE MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*			
	MANHATTAN	21,571,000	498,703,436	302,721,839
	BRONX	8,024,950	45,393,460	73,389,683
	BROOKLYN	19,718,400	145,868,003	115,926,204
	QUEENS	15,269,800	111,678,285	98,977,204
	RICHMOND	6,449,025	60,795,672	83,855,779
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	71,033,175	862,438,856	674,870,709
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	36,840,479	528,434,363	604,183,611
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	184,614,971	1,469,506,852	1,216,953,647
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	45,848,704	538,963,231	258,121,961
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	34,924,934	264,802,129	150,730,361
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	189,388,655	1,687,065,870	1,693,046,507
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	8,132,459	215,577,084	149,870,657
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	97.856,737	747,039,293	718,957,885
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	23,573,177	324,664,779	219,390,487
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	24,769,464	87,557,936	87,651,724
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	49,829,453	285,453,701	249,603,385
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	23,240,235	130,604,956	112,195,821
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	34,559,988	404,845,015	379,976,933
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	59,553,184	444,328,595	566,143,524
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	65,664,919	313,319,674	282,063,691
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	20,180,000	190,344,900	273,461,237
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	27,129,461	264,221,394	158,874,256
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	36,936,361	134,248,815	82,044,163
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	23,012,947	148,643,622	228,328,455
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	81,390,319	514,091,865	535,535,453
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	27,833,021	251,298,203	291,499,687
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	24,643,067	379,670,568	391,278,203
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	25,631,484	210,525,609	167,605,084
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	12,379,704	125,768,203	98,229,227
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	25,667,656	202,767,646	270,367,808
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	22,191,255	133,249,072	143,737,883
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	32,962,372	394,476,426	357,233,013
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	5,068,788	27,291,334	24,930,314
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	17,489,982	153,673,623	164,054,937
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	22,102,112	167,304,751	201,461,823
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	43,285,030	314,267,779	351,446,170
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	12,622,090	169,248,277	177,428,507
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	134,370,850	312,589,776	256,284,110
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	6,493,329	75,594,048	85,846,194
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	21,019,755	183,568,210	185,520,376
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	1,608,568	31,172,572	17,576,324
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	92,153,123	275,966,787	256,489,408
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	7,938,866	99,750,275	84,306,914
39.	LOUISVILLE KENTUCKY	28,017,952	91,738,649	27,484,989
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	8,423,510	101,360,921	85,418,681
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	9,487,458	70,139,776	100,201,336
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	48,116,414	172,784,570	159,289,476
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	29,628,900	267,300,202	214,038,852
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	26.513,489	408,177,656	386,197,104
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	27,156,138	163,767,486	190,604, 858
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	9,186,893	100,193,879	114,604,213
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	5,983,131	45,547,265	57,358,841
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	15,427,581	161,576,084	97,082,223
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	6,834,812	59,807,924	31,501,477
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	18,943,263	176,632,537	65,196,212
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	13,987,244	109,972,479	140,462,677
52.	AKRON, OHIO	9,800,951	54,986,559	39,478,518
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	26,689,662	123,761,871	161,620,507
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	1,081,960	35,194,815	12,877,451
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	18,184,899	121,552,710	225,725,166
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	30,376,800	361,260,115	326,983,241
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	7,157,818	76,360,365	35,102,992
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	27,149,922	172,142,284	255,728,959
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	3,420,337	49,865,097	75,299,306
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	26,477,742	160,425,146	103,149,604
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	9,690,265	73,772,602	64,183,173
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	12,438,163	133,305,554	136,594,807
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	852,947	14,814,039	9,583,107
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	10,219,491	70,650,425	73,460,226
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	5,194,315	73,729,544	49,549,613
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	1,366,658	13,851,704	42,157,322
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	1,450,912	39,801,740	36,489,515
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	10,373,025	110,257,316	76,591,542
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	12,826,932	74,012,941	92,826,987
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	539,679	3,294,165	6,110,393
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	1,373,950	15,549,325	24,303,085
72.	PORT WAYNE, INDIANA	5,188,654	103,560,824	57,058,492
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	2,770,819	22,523,245	12,843,692
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	3,690,942	68,417,610	115,211,522
75.	GARY INDIANA	2,088,850	12,771,740	20,025,917
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	13,525,573	66,055,478	69,160,006
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	5,243,642	48,694,965	49,626,896
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	26,412,128	183,239,428	199,043,983
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	5,201,860	74,338,923	119,635,339
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	3,827,022	24,614,196	49,533,581
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	22,269,275	106,700,726	139,381,344
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	21,808,718	126,864,090	169,319,966
83.	BATON ROUGE, CALIFORNIA	19,318,777	116,946,896	138,312,479
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	19,907,432	48,106,220	47,366,388
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	6,246,840	81,103,757	30,766,288
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	4,763,569	56,159,836	64,098,072
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	1,710,711	9,662,137	15,091,963
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	13,131,858	76,587,261	98,662,155
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	8,484,341	63,993,072	38,802,564
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	4,476,190	71,495,128	62,916,867
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	10,624,407	63,830,182	62,485,854
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	9,985,540	60,405,085	81,755,634
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	4,438,299	41,928,100	40,453,776
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	1,279,327	17,003,230	11,620,217
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	6,186,379	73,976,523	61,159,395
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	4,976,256	53,022,300	58,819,105
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	5,312,315	11,591,519	12,015,669
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	19,004,500	86,699,901	72,033,855
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	7,065,361	29,715,937	23,302,872
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,515,659	27,609,755	38,777,027
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	3,981,444	59,356,482	50,717,528
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	766,085	39,487,454	14,589,245
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	29,950,327	162,796,905	157,119,997
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	2,553,445	55,794,135	29,889,150
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	9,730,700	64,245,800	78,436,200
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR.	4,754,795	65,579,696	48,382,894
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	26,461,643	74,693,124	75,096,112
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	12,987,937	76,696,150	98,719,779
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	1,557,734	18,240,148	49,325,291
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	1,073,500	10,677,288	19,298,039
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	17,979,426	98,532,629	62,186,880
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	2,651,080	27,774,531	40,357,816
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	9,309,318	144,147,555	183,208,512
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	2,060,997	55,292,329	36,029,765
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	4,345,250	40,888,298	43,427,606
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	2,341,640	21,147,824	37,254,209
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	4,381,483	45,865,996	42,913,735
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	15,812,841	117,124,725	102,782,095
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	1,789,854	20,756,531	35,218,186
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	9,246,653	39,708,051	69,534,842
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	3,866,585	65,316,557	51,797,809
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	7,053,155	33,213,179	34,188,300
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	2,415,012	26,947,210	25,674,632
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CAL	1,572,802	40,129,025	58,051,733
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	7,992,802	97,148,953	59,798,555
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	1,173,653	16,507,059	15,820,561
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	2,634,863	35,010,072	14,623,263
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	19,071,256	76,164,493	53,312,771
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	688,588	9,282,487	6,296,433
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,956,504	19,735,582	24,671,771
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	3,079,024	14,981,473	22,039,287
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	12,657,849	82,814,800	80,688,511
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	1,547,390	25,973,559	49,104,620
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	5,412,178	31,561,699	79,163,644
135.	CANTON, OHIO	2,054,236	31,858,919	26,711,204
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	1,096,535	21,217,928	17,164,800
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	13,137,337	46,119,929	142,953,768
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	8,176,598	89,193,422	108,728,700
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	6,083,584	25,148,742	10,425,564
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	474,294	10,225,921	28,587,502
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	11,974,086	92,446,251	131,286,462
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	4,445,917	91,321,640	107,073,451
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	1,762,177	7,085,589	4,844,179
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	8,997,629	57,539,218	59,658,929
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	1,422,888	26,165,939	87,828,647
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	422,615	11,625,734	6,608,828
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	81,760	2,387,498	2,639,544
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	4,929,417	29,540,452	34,523,511
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	229,535	6,639,640	13,783,572
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	9,028,600	79,664,700	129,477,300
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	1,385,772	32,623,073	20,578,470
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,232,720	55,394,773	26,484,374
153.	PARMA, OHIO	1,311,050	12,780,880	24,014,350
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	2,729,061	29,022,722	30,782,705
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	4,489,871	105,493,325	54,871,428
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	5,993,160	25,544,209	72,040,929
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	2,598,042	38,486,816	111,501,121
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,132,790	10,914,488	28,788,779
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	19,488,217	144,404,521	66,074,068
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	281,067	4,690,768	5,262,789
161.	DURAM, NORTH CAROLINA	9,932,732	45,209,375	38,489,245
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	5,899,681	69,622,619	81,276,239
163.	WACO, TEXAS	8,620,092	54,392,380	72,192,591
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	432,780	28,926,054	16,765,537
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	17,059,696	39,238,426	18,753,729
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	1,886,735	62,630,166	59,627,450
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	9,178,697	73,603,044	55,168,306
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	4,141,127	20,697,912	19,559,491
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	181,837	21,705,551	9,451,737
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	330,300	5,479,010	5,859,240
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	2,527,324	33,466,785	51,319,831
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	499,179	11,431,092	7,275,452
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	3,664,758	13,622,723	11,269,097
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	23,230,564	190,214,897	250,500,161
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	2,965,845	18,666,301	24,944,876
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	1,791,900	5,740,325	8,215,861
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	1,867,979	26,966,034	15,511,693
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	6,686,685	50,299,329	47,057,705
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	14,392,367	65,209,551	60,827,496
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	6,518,414	34,222,368	55,775 058
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	638,239	45,020,993	12,832 150
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	5,151,778	48,061,742	52,791,486
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	349,725	5,019,061	3,182,847
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	7,101,837	21,980,730	19,432,153
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	4,067,466	74,602,686	125,992 358
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	395,828	3,894,974	4,551,700
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	527,795	20,550,683	7,730,536
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	3,683,645	22,977,087	50,159,581
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	3,119,337	28,994,487	28,046,891
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	7,752,986	63,032,500	68,838,780
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	540,068	7,450,119	7,811,904
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	11,983,539	60,294,982	65,625,550
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	2,969,422	94,821,090	33,845,691
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	1,164,600	9,079,410	13,574,013
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	809,774	9,082,318	22,223,056
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	14,320,962	30,415,486	38,467,128
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	761,173	18,013,669	12,506,156
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	4,379,385	33,197,563	29,935,043
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	539,000	4,981,780	8,968,090
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	939,653	50,760,883	46,901,946
TOTAL:	200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	2,943,590,806	23,024,246,979	22,435,709,617

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BUILDING PERMITS IN NATION'S 200 LARGEST CITIES REACH A NEW HIGH

NEW YORK, April 7--Dun & Bradstreet reports that building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities climbed 11.5 per cent in October to a new record high of $3,281,845,380 from $2,943,590,806 the month before. This superceded by 3.4 per cent the previous peak of $3,175,380,926 set in June 1978. Moreover, permits grew by 13.2 per cent in these 200 cities from October 1979's pace of $2,899,533,662.

Plans filed by builders in New York jumped 47.3 per cent in October to $104,655,450 from $71,033,175 a month earlier. Furthermore, filings in this city more than doubled in relation to their year-earlier level of $46,272,587.

Permit activity in the 199 cities outside New York hit a new record-high of $3,177,189,930 in October, following a $2,872,557,631 volume in the prior month for a gain of 10.6 per cent. This new high for the 199 cities beat the previous peak of $3,121,306,617 (registered in June 1978) by not quite two per cent but bettered October 1979's reading of $2,853,261,075 by fully 11.4 per cent. Individually, Chicago saw valuations jump by more than $150 million dollars from September to October, to $196.7 million. Los Angeles likewise posted a huge gain of more than $100 million as valuations there reached $288.4 million in October. Several other cities registered huge percentage gains between September and October yet their actual dollar amounts were far short of those in Chicago and Los Angeles. Some of the large percentage gainers in this time frame were Denver, Tulsa, Honolulu, Minneapolis, Little Rock, Salt Lake City and Corpus Christi.

Builders in the 200 largest cities were issued a cumulative total of $26,306,092,389 in permits during the first ten months of 1980, a modest 3.8 per cent more than the $25,335,243,279 in the corresponding months of 1979. Some cities, however, outdistanced this mild over-all gain by big margins--notably Philadelphia, Detroit, Memphis, and Washington, D. C.

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2. OCTOBER BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February.....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....	2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....	2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,613
August.....	2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September....	2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....	3,281,845,380	2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November.....		2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December.....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL.....		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first ten months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Ten Months 1980	% Change Ten Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas	1915.2	+ 3.8
2.	Los Angeles, California	1757.9	+ 29.8
3.	New York, New York	967.1	+ 34.1
4.	Dallas, Texas	815.0	- 1.3
5.	Chicago, Illinois	725.2	+ 11.5
6.	Phoenix, Arizona	591.0	- 1.1
7.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	585.1	+ 117.9
8.	San Diego, California	497.3	- 21.5
9.	Honolulu, Hawaii	461.4	+ 3.8
10.	San Francisco, California	433.2	- 20.9
11.	Seattle, Washington	426.8	+ 1.5
12.	Atlanta, Georgia	415.1	+ 11.0
13.	Austin, Texas	413.5	+ 6.3
14.	Fort Worth, Texas	378.2	+ 26.1
15.	Washington, D. C.	368.7	+ 56.3
16.	San Jose, California	354.6	- 9.7
17.	San Antonio, Texas	341.8	+ 10.5
18.	Tulsa, Oklahoma	331.8	+ 34.9
19.	Indianapolis, Indiana	318.3	+ 13.0
20.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	302.4	+ 4.3
21.	Detroit, Michigan	295.9	+ 82.7
22.	Columbus, Ohio	286.6	- 11.0
23.	Memphis, Tennessee	282.8	+ 62.5
24.	Denver, Colorado	273.0	- 5.0
25.	Jacksonville, Florida	234.1	+ 13.2

COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES

RANK BY SIZE		OCTOBER 1980	TEN MONTHS 1980	TEN MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK[2]			
	MANHATTAN	55,172,177	553,875,613	330,646,384
	BRONX	1,955,545	47,349,005	78,127,798
	BROOKLYN	11,341,570	157,209,573	118,533,429
	QUEENS	21,038,700	132,716,485	103,700,449
	RICHMOND	15,147,958	75,943,630	90,135,736
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	104,655,450	967,094,306	721,143,296
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	196,715,948	725,150,311	650,101,874
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	288,360,472	1,757,867,324	1,354,573,314
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	46,177,535	585,140,766	268,586,317
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	31,106,552	295,908,681	161,947,322
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	228,090,433	1,915,156,303	1,845,360,183
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	13,711,634	229,288,718	183,005,600
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	67,946,349	814,985,542	825,457,659
9.	WASHINGTON, D. C.	44,063,922	368,778,701	235,939,091
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	19,061,796	106,619,732	97,505,064
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	32,887,747	318,341,448	281,783,951
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	17,570,874	148,175,830	127,613,410
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	28,171,554	433,216,569	547,927,313
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	52,964,595	497,293,190	633,144,022
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	28,491,580	341,811,254	309,260,440
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	11,628,000	201,972,900	294,891,237
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	18,549,225	282,770,623	174,014,305
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	6,862,717	141,111,532	102,890,083
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	15,238,561	163,882,183	242,381,023
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	76,926,696	591,018,561	597,675,513
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	35,336,410	286,634,613	322,090,027
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	47,176,272	476,796,840	420,640,615
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	23,602,471	234,128,080	206,893,971
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	14,391,343	140,159,546	103,555,425
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	20,183,760	272,951,406	287,205,948
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	21,687,806	154,936,878	178,713,563
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	20,591,491	415,067,909	373,844,818
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,377,590	29,169,024	26,275,024
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	8,900,177	162,573,800	201,130,801
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	40,713,211	208,017,962	217,009,529
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	40,304,698	354,572,477	392,463,145
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	38,789,910	208,038,187	208,568,723
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	65,635,590	378,225,366	299,909,512
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	11,576,283	87,170,331	128,759,170
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	36,635,070	220,203,280	202,312,906
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	4,934,745	36,107,317	23,177,618
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	26,391,772	302,358,559	289,795,760
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	8,821,289	108,571,564	120,645,716
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	7,934,565	99,673,214	54,005,865
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	18,386,760	119,747,681	96,726,282
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	8,516,113	78,655,889	110,639,591
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	48,196,018	220,980,588	171,499,164
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	64,529,997	331,830,199	245,911,472
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	53,233,656	461,411,312	444,572,214
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	24,440,421	188,207,907	210,734,884
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	10,305,860	110,499,739	124,255,372
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	5,139,812	50,687,077	63,962,243
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	21,325,610	182,901,694	106,659,930
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	2,490,081	62,298,005	34,363,796
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	24,080,189	200,712,726	75,533,215
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	21,469,444	131,441,923	156,017,169
52.	AKRON, OHIO	4,222,386	59,208,945	43,930,456
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	21,494,334	145,256,205	184,126,046
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	4,509,058	39,703,873	20,301,779
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	30,480,794	152,033,504	242,175,202
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	52,288,742	413,548,857	389,201,441
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	6,459,455	82,819,820	41,637,768
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	17,788,514	189,930,798	273,384,684
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	3,493,186	53,358,283	80,567,732
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	13,340,170	173,765,316	123,656,787
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	6,211,183	79,983,785	88,359,093
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	33,177,785	166,483,339	146,949,299
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	10,527,576	25,391,615	10,303,781
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	4,381,103	75,031,528	88,812,422
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	9,333,385	83,062,929	62,135,838
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	1,451,077	15,302,781	50,083,994
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	3,996,124	43,797,864	40,862,664
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	4,616,958	114,874,274	92,821,696
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	5,689,950	79,702,891	104,236,343
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	608,066	3,902,231	6,973,465
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	1,519,250	17,068,575	25,370,685
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	6,240,032	109,800,856	70,740,752
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	2,401,876	24,925,121	16,765,219
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	34,168,301	102,585,911	149,844,955
75.	GARY, INDIANA	1,302,016	14,073,756	20,228,308
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	9,250,787	75,306,265	79,110,268
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	7,534,921	56,229,886	61,719,356
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	22,881,111	206,120,539	229,822,906
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	5,180,088	79,519,011	144,882,405
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	2,773,348	27,387,544	52,415,461
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	7,852,273	114,552,999	150,673,998
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	15,671,487	142,535,577	183,444,967
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	21,001,452	137,948,348	153,309,775
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	14,685,115	62,791,335	49,174,025
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	12,536,955	93,640,712	57,039,440
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	4,225,493	60,385,329	71,870,886
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	1,736,150	11,398,287	16,021,336
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	11,528,437	88,115,698	122,079,017
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	4,775,840	68,768,912	42,645,782
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	21,210,974	92,706,102	73,300,377
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	9,118,625	72,948,807	68,591,228
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	9,118,710	69,523,795	89,880,597
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	6,689,147	48,617,247	44,518,877
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	3,213,544	20,216,774	12,075,812
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	13,321,259	87,297,782	70,387,853
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	4,482,352	57,504,652	67,141,863
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	259,106	11,850,625	12,293,408
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	5,649,705	92,349,606	92,898,240
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	2,057,404	31,773,341	26,198,673
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,571,192	31,180,947	32,536,952
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	3,385,765	67,741,747	54,076,013
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	4,189,820	43,677,774	18,777,483
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	24,269,907	187,057,812	180,684,805
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	3,125,485	58,919,670	34,795,430
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	11,174,300	75,470,100	81,277,200
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAR.	5,641,081	71,220,777	73,612,075
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	8,119,041	87,817,161	86,010,968
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	37,876,008	114,572,158	111,433,606
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	4,451,384	22,691,532	53,177,040
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	505,300	11,182,588	21,367,589
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	9,643,462	108,176,091	70,386,054
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	21,445,645	49,220,176	43,057,676
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	11,607,785	155,755,340	190,168,995
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	2,482,957	57,775,286	39,596,147
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	5,074,818	45,963,116	48,648,341
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,655,534	22,803,358	41,166,277
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	3,632,757	49,498,253	65,502,506
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	25,210,348	142,335,073	116,037,811
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,949,460	23,705,991	39,333,735
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	4,055,148	41,763,199	28,630,082
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	6,359,775	72,276,332	67,561,246
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	1,781,336	34,994,515	45,558,390
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	2,141,760	29,088,970	27,879,618
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA	5,884,472	46,013,497	82,970,428
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	8,707,987	105,856,940	66,051,888
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	2,124,007	18,631,066	18,012,116
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	2,420,368	17,430,440	16,031,967
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	9,819,146	85,983,639	58,590,059
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	423,886	9,706,373	6,604,743
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,458,307	21,193,589	27,463,640
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,025,091	16,006,564	24,128,552
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	3,981,992	86,796,792	83,417,778
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	4,350,913	30,324,472	56,657,435
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	7,903,760	39,465,459	89,244,038
135.	CANTON, OHIO	1,849,377	33,708,296	29,487,861
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	1,368,765	22,586,693	19,406,699
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	15,909,438	62,029,367	155,599,848
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	9,478,354	98,671,776	119,785,794
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	2,683,599	27,832,341	11,576,239
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	1,885,489	17,111,410	29,389,979
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	7,968,724	100,414,975	155,399,095
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	3,086,066	94,407,706	109,752,350
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	3,729,024	10,814,613	5,312,014
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	17,560,624	25,099,842	26,119,324
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	2,089,447	28,755,386	90,220,427
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	1,279,501	12,905,235	8,245,008
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	1,827,700	4,215,198	3,300,979
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	3,309,257	32,849,709	40,609,722
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	965,211	7,604,851	14,552,801
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	13,479,200	93,143,900	141,679,100
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	5,645,282	38,268,355	24,074,801
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	4,513,668	59,908,441	27,714,500
153.	PARMA, OHIO	1,395,625	14,176,505	26,558,250
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	4,441,022	33,463,744	34,177,446
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	13,521,425	119,014,750	74,401,966
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	6,385,568	31,929,777	75,911,958
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	3,407,507	41,894,323	121,176,140
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,477,502	12,391,990	30,747,439
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	12,366,086	157,370,607	88,831,942
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	7,846,350	12,537,118	6,011,174
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	3,655,854	48,865,229	43,239,679
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	5,048,433	74,671,052	94,545,802
163.	WACO, TEXAS	6,620,497	61,012,877	77,000,921
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	9,860,696	38,786,750	19,963,753
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	1,286,423	40,524,849	70,841,039
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	9,938,957	72,569,123	71,824,329
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	5,553,048	29,156,092	61,065,757
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	5,004,760	25,702,672	22,736,253
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	2,472,185	24,177,736	10,465,805
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	732,530	6,211,540	6,723,570
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	2,751,504	36,218,280	54,540,766
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	4,739,903	16,170,995	7,457,947
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	2,240,199	16,362,922	12,578,052
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	24,383,259	214,598,156	311,285,197
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	5,055,871	23,722,172	24,978,767
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	388,950	6,129,275	9,317,308
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	8,838,825	35,804,859	17,121,888
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	10,425,985	60,725,314	53,363,175
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	6,264,610	71,474,161	70,114,866
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	2,060,936	36,283,304	58,358,450
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	583,469	45,604,462	13,335,643
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	6,664,399	54,726,141	55,411,477
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	483,384	5,502,445	4,566,785
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	2,776,226	24,756,956	21,169,157
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	8,897,799	83,500,485	139,445,938
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	756,804	4,651,778	4,774,465
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	1,511,281	22,061,964	12,251,666
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	6,987,936	29,965,023	53,815,517
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	4,363,031	33,357,518	30,603,589
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	12,176,301	75,208,801	78,223,935
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	1,138,962	8,589,081	8,553,470
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	17,635,239	77,930,221	80,449,244
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	6,386,667	101,207,757	35,166,835
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	1,089,513	10,168,923	14,663,516
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	1,353,541	10,435,859	24,568,233
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	1,604,873	32,020,359	42,980,786
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	1,168,623	19,182,792	13,001,775
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	14,000,160	47,197,723	30,734,459
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	436,250	5,418,030	9,697,620
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	17,461,535	68,222,418	47,623,860
	TOTAL: 200 LARGEST CITIES LISTED ABOVE	3,281,845,380	26,306,092,359	25,335,243,279

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES SUBSIDE FROM RECORD PACE

NEW YORK, April 16--Building permit activity in the nation's 200 largest cities subsided in November after setting a new record in the previous month, reports Dun & Bradstreet. November's total was $2,736,073,957 or 16.6 per cent less than the peak $3,281,845,380 set in October. November's volume nonetheless exceeded its like year-ago level of $2,495,786,359 by 9.6 per cent.

The 199 cities outside New York had a 17 per cent slowdown in permits volume from October's relatively high $3,177,189,930 to $2,637,099,536 in November. Valuations during November 1980 subsided markedly in Chicago following a huge hike in October. Yet, some cities did chalk up sizeable gains between October and November. Among them were Dallas (with a jump of more than $100 million), Pittsburgh (up by $88 million), Cleveland, Shreveport, Brooklyn, Lansing, Omaha, and Spokane. Compared with November 1979's $2,153,806,564 tally, issuances in the 199 cities maintained a solid 22.4 per cent advance, the best year-to year headway in eleven months.

Plans filed by New York City builders slipped 5.4 per cent in November to $98,974,421, from $104,655,450 one month earlier. However, filings in New York showed an even sharper decline from their November 1979 reading of $341,979,795 which had marked the city's highest dollar amount in eleven years.

During the first eleven months of 1980, permits issued builders totalled $29,042,166,316 in the 200 cities. This was 4.4 per cent above the $27,831,029,638 recorded in the like period in 1979. Houston and Los Angeles each had valuations in excess of $2 billion for this eleven-month span in 1980, far ahead of any of the other cities.

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2. NOVEMBER BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

	1980	1979	1978	1977
January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February.....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
March.....	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038	1,831,077,441
April.....	2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609	1,670,684,353
May.....	2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484	1,848,109,958
June.....	2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926	2,112,508,861
July.....	2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719	1,786,583,619
August.....	2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105	1,983,733,131
September....	2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
October.....	3,281,845,380	2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414	1,802,807,510
November.....	2,736,073,957	2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106	1,827,177,094
December.....		2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL.....		$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first eleven months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Eleven Months 1980	% Change Eleven Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas.....	2046.3	+ 3.5
2.	Los Angeles, California.....	2000.8	+ 33.4
3.	New York, New York.....	1066.1	+ 0.3
4.	Dallas, Texas.....	989.0	+ 8.6
5.	Chicago, Illinois.....	779.3	+ 10.2
6.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	638.3	+ 1.8
7.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania...	603.7	+ 89.7
8.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	540.3	+ 10.2
9.	San Diego, California.....	531.3	- 20.4
10.	Seattle, Washington.....	514.8	+ 14.1
11.	Austin, Texas.....	454.9	+ 8.7
12.	San Francisco, California....	447.3	- 24.6
13.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	445.4	+ 14.9
14.	Fort Worth, Texas.....	404.1	+ 27.9
15.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	402.8	+ 53.4
16.	Washington, D. C.....	380.4	+ 42.3
17.	San Jose, California.....	373.8	- 11.8
18.	San Antonio, Texas.....	370.4	+ 9.7
19.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	341.6	+ 13.2
20.	Indianapolis, Indiana.....	332.6	+ 12.0
21.	Detroit, Michigan.....	327.5	+ 77.0
22.	Columbus, Ohio.....	311.8	- 9.7
23.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	305.0	+ 55.3
24.	Denver, Colorado.....	290.3	- 4.0
25.	Portland, Oregon.....	249.3	+ 14.8

TOTAL: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above.....	$ 2,736,871,957	$ 29,042,166,119	$ 27,831,029,618	

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BUILDING PERMITS IN NATION'S 200 LARGEST CITIES CLIMB

NEW YORK, April 24--Dun & Bradstreet reports that after subsiding in November, building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities rebounded during December to their second highest level on record. December permits totalled $3,233,145,536, some 18.2 per cent more than November's sum of $2,736,073,957, and only 1.5 per cent short of the record high $3,281,845,380 set in October 1980. Moreover, in comparison with December 1979's pace of $2,184,572,996, permits were up almost 50 per cent. (It should be pointed out, however, that December 1979's showing was the third lowest of all the monthly figures for 1979.)

Plans filed by builders in New York jumped 67.8 per cent in December to $166,043,459 from about $99 million in November. Nonetheless, filings in New York were actually down 22 per cent in relation to their relatively high year-ago level of $212,941,067 in the like month.

Permit activity rose 16.3 per cent between November 1980 and December 1980 in the 199 cities outside New York, to a sizeable $3,067,102,077 from $2,637,099,536. Helping boost December's figure were very strong permit gains in Houston, Fort Worth, Honolulu, Chattanooga, and Miami Beach. Valuations in the 199 cities also showed a huge 55.6 per cent gain over their December 1979 pace of $1,971,631,929--which was one of the three lowest monthly volumes for 1979.

For the full twelve months of 1980, permit issuances in the 200 cities together amounted to $32,275,311,852. That was a 7.5 per cent improvement over the $30,015,602,634 tally for all of 1979. The top five cities in terms of dollar amounts for the 1980 year were, in descending order, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Dallas, and Chicago. These five cities jointly accounted for 24.2 per cent (or $7.8 billion) of the $32.3 billion sum for all 200 cities. These five cities held exactly the same rankings for total 1979 also, when together they represented 22.6 per cent (or $6.8 billion) of the $30.0 billion 200-city sum. Looking at the top 25 cities in dollar volume for 1980, twenty of them had indeed made the list for 1979 as well. Newcomers to the leading 25 in 1980 were Tulsa, Washington, D. C., Detroit, Memphis, and Pittsburgh.

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2. DECEMBER BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES

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January.....	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317	$ 1,155,317,475
February.....	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444	1,346,506,159
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September....	2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509	1,720,913,053
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December.....	3,233,145,536	2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416	1,908,713,368
TOTAL.....	$32,275,311,852	$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087	$20,994,132,022

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the twelve months of 1980 were:

		(Millions of Dollars) Twelve Months 1980	% Change Twelve Months 1979
1.	Houston, Texas.....	2406.5	+ 14.8
2.	Los Angeles, California.....	2154.6	+ 28.8
3.	New York, New York.....	1232.1	- 3.4
4.	Dallas, Texas.....	1157.2	+ 21.9
5.	Chicago, Illinois.....	845.2	+ 8.5
6.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	723.1	+ 27.5
7.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	687.3	- 2.3
8.	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania...	635.6	+ 94.4
9.	San Diego, California.....	593.0	- 16.4
10.	Fort Worth, Texas.....	570.7	+ 67.0
11.	Seattle, Washington.....	535.4	+ 12.9
12.	Austin, Texas.....	485.1	+ 8.4
13.	San Francisco, California....	483.3	- 22.5
14.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	470.9	+ 64.0
15.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	469.8	+ 16.6
16.	San Antonio, Texas.....	410.7	+ 14.3
17.	San Jose, California.....	403.3	- 10.8
18.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	394.2	+ 26.2
19.	Washington, D. C.....	393.0	+ 43.9
20.	Indianapolis, Indiana.....	362.0	+ 17.8
21.	Detroit, Michigan.....	337.5	+ 75.0
22.	Denver, Colorado.....	332.7	+ 3.1
23.	Columbus, Ohio.....	325.5	- 12.1
24.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	313.3	+ 49.5
25.	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.....	297.5	+ 174.4

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		DECEMBER 1980	TWELVE MONTHS 1980	TWELVE MONTHS 1979
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*	$	$	$
	MANHATTAN	144,987,233	752,748,045	846,834,631
	BRONX	2,442,300	50,493,305	87,200,918
	BROOKLYN	6,676,650	198,147,863	131,241,951
	QUEENS	7,402,700	143,257,985	110,743,869
	RICHMOND	4,534,576	87,466,988	100,042,789
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	166,043,459	1,232,112,186	1,276,064,158
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	65,871,557	845,180,578	778,637,154
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	153,863,052	2,154,639,533	1,673,408,341
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	31,845,585	635,552,117	326,947,033
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	10,008,362	337,522,814	192,873,609
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	360,223,543	2,406,505,167	2,096,703,894
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	6,794,548	251,801,207	237,009,923
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	168,178,432	1,157,203,594	948,971,354
9.	WASHINGTON, D.C.	12,618,531	393,037,365	275,054,210
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	5,377,272	162,432,458	104,772,383
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	29,423,631	362,021,958	307,265,248
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	14,032,337	182,635,271	147,094,061
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	35,917,179	483,281,792	623,917,130
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	61,664,082	592,957,826	709,247,829
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	40,257,866	410,659,644	359,190,462
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	10,880,000	223,102,900	313,059,237
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	8,338,078	313,333,139	209,647,087
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	4,549,300	164,166,250	185,377,116
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	48,179,408	243,811,602	267,077,122
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	49,034,933	687,347,580	703,244,844
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	13,737,632	325,538,883	370,506,847
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	20,556,238	535,399,373	474,129,014
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	18,914,772	268,054,778	240,484,515
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	54,641,459	297,484,884	108,398,188
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	42,399,683	332,746,418	322,704,315
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	26,500,000	202,604,881	214,206,023
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	24,362,347	469,783,833	403,049,899
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,323,427	32,853,845	31,452,748
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	11,987,554	184,704,736	231,732,828
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	12,603,648	239,225,289	255,984,508
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	29,484,240	403,268,057	451,979,106
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	16,324,918	243,099,031	241,337,172
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	168,575,876	570,725,703	341,661,342
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	2,732,773	99,326,452	156,844,869
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	28,823,250	276,116,810	238,065,831
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	5,122,230	43,318,792	27,010,123
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	52,623,709	394,206,403	312,462,035
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	8,779,492	124,279,648	165,279,264
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	1,538,246	102,443,550	41,352,314
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	4,621,715	142,564,601	157,344,639
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	26,865,205	131,112,017	126,365,688
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	28,719,079	262,482,574	270,401,528
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	68,092,029	470,922,228	287,114,878
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	182,770,273	723,102,792	568,991,017
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	22,716,068	257,307,627	238,078,103
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	5,440,154	121,055,221	158,250,366
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	3,697,015	59,167,574	69,471,060
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	7,133,679	200,333,375	127,149,302
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	4,244,008	69,464,694	58,045,423
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	14,150,375	232,417,503	68,539,274
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	10,354,038	151,523,334	184,066,878
52.	AKRON, OHIO	2,868,524	65,785,756	48,125,634
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	11,825,279	176,660,403	215,408,846
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	2,080,855	42,079,529	28,007,560
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	21,228,954	180,249,551	298,513,212
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	30,187,800	485,124,057	447,455,604
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	3,264,431	93,201,192	49,749,375
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	38,340,284	238,360,873	300,253,552
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	5,625,334	71,246,785	88,977,210
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	47,339,098	231,232,769	150,726,075
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	7,359,629	91,983,583	101,738,578
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	9,710,414	186,243,293	161,850,779
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	444,958	26,494,783	17,212,431
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	2,178,257	81,263,751	93,093,432
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	3,395,714	92,462,793	68,423,618
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	693,688	19,270,744	50,882,859
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	729,276	45,214,046	51,563,610
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	14,465,072	136,235,912	110,049,766
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	8,547,063	129,876,492	116,389,970
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	217,144	4,456,599	7,575,710
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	693,550	19,677,375	29,773,235
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	3,767,290	116,418,831	88,080,059
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	2,345,317	32,483,907	26,086,375
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	18,133,214	145,401,211	193,941,051
75.	GARY, INDIANA	879,516	16,279,080	33,225,455
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	12,359,406	93,072,382	85,392,277
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	5,235,362	66,876,378	76,613,248
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	14,436,190	236,175,999	290,885,461
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	2,835,175	105,909,978	165,094,695
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	4,554,950	33,311,962	59,264,308
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	10,157,550	138,612,615	177,445,939
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	16,401,252	168,638,713	199,647,101
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	16,538,576	165,428,181	192,209,333
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	2,340,208	69,576,508	54,423,741
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	1,821,814	95,504,283	65,709,366
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	9,033,976	73,252,929	84,183,940
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	689,980	12,803,729	18,303,128
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	2,878,688	95,628,332	133,266,344
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	2,392,083	76,048,017	49,816,253
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	2,732,982	102,466,609	79,274,631
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	2,439,982	81,941,452	78,137,541
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	5,005,720	80,941,568	104,583,750
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	1,974,821	62,591,557	49,982,796
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	398,055	21,655,314	13,353,544
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	8,676,180	104,231,429	82,889,869
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	5,418,892	66,313,446	84,010,064
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	191,400	12,619,268	13,257,496
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	2,772,960	105,745,406	98,552,690
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	5,144,115	40,101,828	30,575,912
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	3,622,824	37,698,562	60,985,842
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	$ 4,288,065	40,554,451	$ 63,293,124
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	19,383,850	64,688,524	24,489,475
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	30,831,932	232,010,864	148,123,117
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	5,326,410	69,186,820	45,020,515
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	7,215,700	85,795,400	89,398,200
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAROLINA	3,068,006	94,423,083	77,371,281
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	11,266,331	101,158,757	99,080,769
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	8,935,906	126,951,171	112,689,593
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	11,700,065	55,308,196	62,226,376
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	212,000	22,014,093	12,240,349
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	5,388,741	118,784,815	84,509,873
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	4,278,009	54,187,308	48,631,932
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	9,623,402	241,496,241	287,356,124
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	2,693,682	41,508,584	44,047,192
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	1,788,095	55,542,321	52,801,788
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	3,178,773	57,784,023	42,491,485
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	4,431,625	56,408,677	70,773,741
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	6,890,857	185,860,649	132,695,698
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	1,940,464	38,749,024	44,419,874
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	3,283,336	49,955,802	84,340,068
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	95,112,464	175,436,568	72,617,913
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	1,885,076	40,621,385	54,324,230
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	3,697,162	33,918,900	30,228,465
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF.	5,787,613	60,477,317	64,251,837
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	10,076,472	124,880,884	94,392,099
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	1,548,441	20,851,428	31,031,949
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	3,917,752	41,803,545	28,051,288
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	2,223,934	104,696,808	78,962,096
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	216,600	10,020,398	7,224,453
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,412,386	24,850,455	35,699,120
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	853,426	17,454,070	26,125,949
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	1,702,104	92,436,745	85,932,348
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	2,403,741	36,726,345	72,963,187
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	1,234,061	52,396,602	101,517,277
135.	CANTON, OHIO	902,471	35,397,078	31,842,002
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	592,013	28,023,796	21,572,123
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	14,393,188	104,046,025	84,044,339
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	8,055,441	114,658,271	133,057,923
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	379,866	29,182,787	14,372,560
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	870,393	13,242,928	31,043,098
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	17,266,703	127,798,010	184,227,293
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	12,192,926	110,164,727	169,281,588
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	138,750	13,502,099	5,657,852
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	4,895,710	86,817,938	81,531,569
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	2,418,874	31,619,693	100,461,931
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	463,145	13,762,415	10,885,313
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	74,460	4,481,078	8,692,591
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	1,960,305	36,899,174	41,896,561
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	353,361	9,211,422	20,331,999
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	10,600,400	119,001,000	175,512,300
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	3,244,405	45,413,180	28,709,437
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	10,574,253	73,635,568	31,215,208
153.	PARMA, OHIO	1,827,600	16,440,805	28,183,250
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	1,965,506	37,265,454	40,258,229
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	24,287,075	149,955,173	81,900,454
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	1,676,755	36,830,143	83,163,811
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	1,239,612	45,236,067	131,560,322
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	736,973	14,791,133	32,667,896
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	16,304,297	188,756,934	108,363,917
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	1,119,550	21,501,018	16,771,924
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	3,904,242	57,446,673	68,307,704
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	11,946,561	90,865,736	134,398,362
163.	WACO, TEXAS	4,005,015	72,739,479	83,081,930
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	4,778,300	48,483,447	25,482,335
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	319,749	41,636,586	21,719,649
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	17,264,359	91,565,837	90,378,981
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	3,228,491	85,820,548	70,111,594
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,095,679	36,863,747	34,215,687
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	8,549,833	35,838,155	10,921,259
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	634,410	7,078,710	8,410,820
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	2,065,221	40,523,102	61,124,466
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	396,905	18,545,074	8,153,958
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,534,750	18,400,998	13,367,194
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	20,972,305	249,717,998	354,418,862
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	4,285,850	41,141,842	29,220,245
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	160,250	8,562,670	30,598,205
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	1,941,965	42,166,671	21,177,175
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	3,678,105	73,148,143	63,012,243
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	1,787,689	76,138,939	77,334,756
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	16,925,049	55,618,288	59,527,823
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	432,499	46,453,971	14,224,882
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	5,867,100	62,355,777	67,421,550
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,139,705	8,498,685	8,739,912
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	3,400,798	30,760,162	25,896,033
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	5,152,305	99,626,724	148,466,776
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	252,900	5,166,768	5,318,303
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	3,455,320	26,240,454	13,510,368
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	1,921,893	36,330,653	59,678,164
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	2,347,487	37,074,939	35,070,900
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	10,881,095	88,733,852	91,272,488
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	1,248,738	11,921,801	9,428,111
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	12,805,285	91,894,996	93,669,075
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	42,014,471	145,082,728	41,470,892
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	85,674	10,706,280	17,977,068
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	21,756,914	34,288,502	26,158,912
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	3,091,322	38,579,610	63,197,458
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	1,245,000	21,039,721	13,953,540
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	16,503,683	66,397,259	32,572,616
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	1,398,325	7,521,780	10,116,720
200.	FONTIAC, MICHIGAN	590,686	90,565,625	48,446,813
TOTAL:	200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	$ 3,233,145,536	$32,275,311,852	$30,015,602,634

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES DOWNTURN IN EARLY 1981

NEW YORK, May 28--Building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities fell some 29 per cent in January after reaching their second-highest level on record in December, reports Dun & Bradstreet. Permit values for the first month of 1981 totalled $2,295,714,653 compared with the prior month's volume of $3,233,145,536. In relation to the January 1980 total of $2,239,448,528, however, permits did show a small year-to-year advance of 2.5 percentage points.

Following a large increase in December, plans filed by builders in New York plummeted in January to their lowest level in twelve months. Filings in New York totalled $42,695,776 during January or only one-fourth December's $166,043,459. Yet, filings were up 4.2 per cent from their relatively slow $40,955,633 pace of the January a year-earlier.

Permit valuations in the 199 cities outside New York were down 26.5 per cent in January, to $2,253,018,877, from their accelerated pace of $3,067,102,077 in December. However, they were 2.5 per cent higher than January 1980's $2,198,492,895 mark.

Despite the 26.5 per cent fall off from December in the 199 cities together, some individual cities did chalk up large contrasting increases from their particular December levels. Among them were Pittsburgh, Boston, Atlanta, Seattle, Columbus, Washington, D.C., Las Vegas, Memphis, New Bedford, and Corpus Christi. Moreover, unlike the small 2.5 per cent climb from a year earlier for the 199 cities as a whole, several cities individually experienced much bigger percentage gains (over January 1980 readings). These big gainers included Pittsburgh, Boston, Denver, San Antonio, Irving (Texas), New Bedford, and Lexington (Kentucky).

For the first month of 1981, just three cities saw dollar volume exceed $100 million. Houston led the nation in January with $179.6 million in permits; meanwhile, Pittsburgh ranked second, with $112.7 million. Los Angeles was in the third spot...permit values there totalling some $104 million.

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2. JANUARY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES
1978 - 1981

	1981	1980	1979	1978
January.....	$ 2,295,714,653	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317
February.....		2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444
March.....		2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038
April.....		2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609
May.....		2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484
June.....		2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926
July.....		2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719
August.....		2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105
September.....		2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509
October.....		3,281,845,380	2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414
November.....		2,736,073,957	2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106
December.....		3,233,145,536	2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416
TOTAL.....		$32,275,311,852	$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first month of 1981 were:

(Millions of Dollars)

		January 1981	% Change January 1980
1.	Houston, Texas.....	179.6	+ 28.8
2.	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.....	112.7	+1405.8
3.	Los Angeles, California.....	104.0	- 39.7
4.	Boston, Massachusetts.....	79.3	+ 535.3
5.	Denver, Colorado.....	73.8	+ 446.8
6.	Honolulu, Hawaii.....	59.3	+ 31.5
7.	Atlanta, Georgia.....	49.7	- 15.2
8.	San Antonio, Texas.....	49.7	+ 205.4
9.	Seattle, Washington.....	48.4	- 35.8
10.	Dallas, Texas.....	47.1	- 39.1
11.	Chicago, Illinois.....	44.3	- 13.1
12.	Phoenix, Arizona.....	43.4	- 34.2
13.	Austin, Texas.....	42.9	+ 44.1
14.	New York, N. Y.....	42.7	+ 4.2
15.	Columbus, Ohio.....	40.2	+ 231.4
16.	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	39.7	+ 81.7
17.	San Jose, California.....	37.0	+ 80.5
18.	Washington, D. C.....	33.9	- 21.6
19.	Jacksonville, Florida.....	31.5	+ 50.7
20.	Las Vegas, Nevada.....	29.9	+ 73.2
21.	Memphis, Tennessee.....	29.8	- 21.7
22.	San Francisco, California.....	29.8	- 48.3
23.	Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	28.0	+ 16.4
24.	Irving, Texas.....	25.4	+ 241.4
25.	San Diego, California.....	24.9	- 44.8

THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1980 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		JANUARY 1981	DECEMBER 1980	JANUARY 1980
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK*	$	$	$
	MANHATTAN	20,427,912	144,987,233	13,935,889
	BRONX	3,532,352	2,442,300	1,005,300
	BROOKLYN	7,103,650	6,676,650	3,685,400
	QUEENS	8,669,300	7,402,700	13,938,730
	RICHMOND	2,962,562	4,534,576	8,390,314
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	42,695,776	166,043,459	40,955,633
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	44,321,080	65,871,557	51,005,649
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	103,986,248	153,863,052	172,536,757
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	19,816,354	31,845,585	15,329,754
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	11,156,444	10,008,362	6,581,213
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	179,558,472	360,223,543	139,415,478
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	15,660,809	6,794,548	15,324,965
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	47,138,597	168,178,432	77,367,476
9.	WASHINGTON, D. C.	33,935,423	12,618,531	43,302,730
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	7,944,056	5,372,272	2,802,805
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	10,198,661	29,423,611	9,014,561
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	16,957,714	14,032,337	5,162,832
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	29,805,870	35,917,179	57,662,541
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	24,870,054	61,664,082	45,068,079
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	49,669,726	40,257,866	16,265,685
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	79,298,000	10,880,000	12,481,000
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	29,832,628	8,338,078	38,102,674
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	4,732,713	4,549,300	13,963,038
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	10,447,917	48,179,408	12,163,744
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	43,393,598	49,034,933	65,922,164
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	40,234,141	13,737,632	12,140,127
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	48,396,546	20,556,238	75,428,652
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	31,469,082	18,914,772	20,888,711
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	112,685,201	54,641,459	7,483,338
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	73,831,164	42,399,683	13,502,912
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	7,550,406	26,500,000	6,202,517
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	49,686,091	24,362,547	58,584,860
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,529,623	1,323,427	629,095
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	10,791,979	11,987,554	16,086,309
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	7,137,333	12,603,648	13,273,032
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	37,000,333	29,484,240	20,500,185
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	9,032,528	16,324,918	14,410,019
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	21,884,831	166,575,876	19,673,118
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	9,558,896	2,732,773	15,819,340
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	23,901,115	28,823,250	36,167,195
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	1,076,150	5,122,230	1,173,805
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	39,738,472	52,623,709	21,864,555
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	7,499,246	8,779,492	18,480,470
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	5,577,610	1,538,248	7,159,370
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	5,749,820	4,621,715	13,176,055
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	7,979,750	26,865,205	5,940,062
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	11,811,412	28,719,079	20,279,768
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	28,018,700	68,092,029	24,067,400
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	59,336,049	182,770,273	45,137,692
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	24,151,395	22,716,068	17,246,388
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	3,514,486	5,440,154	5,512,121
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	3,234,553	3,697,015	6,458,176
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	8,735,952	7,133,679	10,217,787
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	618,567	4,244,008	3,922,915
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	15,377,169	14,150,375	14,090,663
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	11,949,316	10,354,038	15,757,811
52.	AKRON, OHIO	4,752,032	2,868,524	4,092,101
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	9,908,869	11,825,279	14,370,948
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	822,800	2,080,855	1,774,350
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	14,527,593	21,228,954	8,507,703
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	42,947,400	30,187,600	29,809,400
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	2,790,595	3,264,431	29,614,672
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	11,381,719	38,340,284	17,603,790
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	4,968,596	5,625,334	1,026,748
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	21,051,659	47,339,098	12,079,287
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	11,583,664	7,359,629	10,478,640
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	19,726,910	9,710,414	28,068,633
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	265,000	444,988	3,811,500
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	2,078,324	2,178,257	1,929,732
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	7,753,630	3,395,714	13,948,735
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	1,957,445	693,688	529,605
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	863,551	729,276	799,623
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	8,672,050	14,465,072	9,033,699
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	5,062,726	8,547,063	5,051,880
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	45,069	217,144	257,868
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	181,850	693,550	3,833,150
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	1,454,835	3,767,290	5,699,822
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	1,735,615	2,345,117	2,110,620
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	2,626,935	18,133,214	4,641,209
75.	GARY, INDIANA	365,000	879,516	601,115
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	6,200,782	12,359,406	9,220,201
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	2,977,959	5,235,362	1,877,073
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	24,542,010	14,436,190	17,200,256
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	7,136,372	2,835,175	5,667,498
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	1,535,806	4,554,950	1,233,306
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	8,431,668	10,157,550	10,832,237
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	8,631,862	16,401,252	20,429,826
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	20,024,580	16,538,576	11,211,394
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,092,026	2,340,208	6,069,628
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	1,052,275	1,821,814	3,791,459
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	5,081,405	9,033,976	7,340,334
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	461,675	689,980	637,150
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	13,220,011	2,878,688	2,102,311
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	9,784,592	2,392,083	12,277,128
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	3,421,669	2,732,982	9,779,808
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	4,292,490	2,439,982	2,865,227
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	10,331,805	5,005,720	4,701,874
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	3,311,523	1,974,821	4,396,128
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	481,837	399,055	323,683
95.	GREENSBORO, NO. CAROLINA	4,090,649	8,676,180	4,903,089
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	9,407,733	5,418,892	8,061,950
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	635,500	191,400	554,459
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	3,775,700	2,772,960	19,121,835
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	1,148,449	5,144,115	1,699,212
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	6,004,036	3,622,824	1,344,175
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	$ 5,843,537	$ 4,288,065	$ 5,552,564
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	5,457,440	19,383,850	4,876,980
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	11,945,608	30,631,932	24,799,421
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	6,808,005	5,326,410	5,335,005
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	3,988,700	7,215,700	8,601,500
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAROLINA	6,697,706	3,068,006	4,651,832
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	2,905,375	11,266,331	1,993,864
108.	LITTLE TOCK, ARKANSAS	4,084,204	8,935,906	5,519,324
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	6,527,513	1,700,065	2,085,582
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	136,900	232,000	212,838
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	10,942,044	5,388,741	29,975,500
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	910,900	4,278,009	1,818,588
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	29,929,095	9,623,902	17,281,773
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	1,593,500	2,693,682	2,491,156
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	3,057,238	1,788,095	2,034,397
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	1,038,753	3,178,773	1,437,545
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	4,812,230	4,433,625	2,460,409
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	7,906,742	6,890,857	16,712,386
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,139,049	1,940,464	2,474,559
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	945,518	3,283,336	5,428,623
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	3,803,795	95,112,464	16,880,864
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	2,278,565	1,885,076	2,273,167
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	2,200,428	3,697,162	4,238,885
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF	8,806,446	5,787,613	6,197,889
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	11,755,009	10,078,972	3,483,169
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	489,289	1,548,441	834,173
127.	COLUMBIA, SO. CAROLINA	5,489,981	3,917,752	4,271,957
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	4,276,589	2,223,934	6,555,187
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	415,000	216,600	354,310
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	1,301,718	1,412,386	865,137
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	3,148,210	853,426	1,853,345
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	10,671,668	1,702,104	3,985,850
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	3,756,046	2,403,741	514,354
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	2,314,975	1,734,061	3,211,583
135.	CANTON, OHIO	1,428,638	902,471	490,692
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	2,639,715	592,013	2,093,195
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	10,120,900	14,393,188	4,807,110
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	17,599,022	8,055,441	5,091,368
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	443,235	379,866	312,125
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	282,680	870,393	833,809
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	3,412,375	17,266,703	4,421,833
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	3,147,066	12,192,920	44,595,612
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	30,000	138,750	1,760,130
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	10,349,403	4,895,710	3,075,687
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	706,411	2,418,874	762,878
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	105,745	463,145	3,118,961
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	34,974	74,460	121,955
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	1,979,567	1,960,305	5,179,742
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	22,187,255	353,361	1,895,150
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	8,867,200	10,600,400	3,564,700
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	532,129	3,244,405	829,579
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	4,918,440	10,574,253	1,798,159
153.	PARMA, OHIO	347,680	1,627,600	209,800
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	964,385	1,965,506	7,930,976
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	6,473,799	24,287,075	5,455,688
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	5,425,022	1,676,755	819,417
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	6,174,217	1,239,612	3,890,539
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	800,907	736,973	915,609
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	25,407,132	16,304,297	7,441,490
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	295,582	1,119,550	253,800
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	3,221,479	3,904,242	2,322,613
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	10,030,165	11,946,561	10,946,835
163.	WACO, TEXAS	4,225,423	4,005,015	2,840,790
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	4,277,995	4,776,300	547,315
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	595,895	319,749	9,328,475
166.	HAWYARD, CALIFORNIA	8,703,773	17,264,559	7,526,204
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	3,219,307	3,228,491	3,742,326
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,119,000	1,095,679	1,365,453
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	232,158	8,849,833	320,503
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	330,730	634,410	449,400
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	1,740,532	2,065,221	937,144
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	497,130	396,905	531,175
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	3,407,619	1,534,750	336,787
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	17,688,864	20,972,305	16,560,977
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	489,600	4,285,850	1,929,425
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	2,494,750	160,250	907,466
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	1,291,454	1,941,965	3,078,350
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	6,164,988	7,678,105	5,424,479
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	2,125,252	1,787,689	10,467,503
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	2,703,855	16,925,049	8,112,915
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	3,082,665	432,499	225,390
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	5,080,938	5,887,100	11,312,943
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	1,655,345	1,139,705	532,276
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	8,027,065	3,400,798	1,965,813
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	3,224,815	5,152,305	5,863,677
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	205,000	252,900	737,025
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	277,235	3,455,320	253,161
188.	GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	918,160	1,921,893	1,069,228
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	561,362	2,347,487	378,210
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	3,848,654	10,881,095	3,898,215
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	89	1,248,738	1,594,250
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	4,694,401	12,805,285	4,471,287
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	8,947,144	42,014,471	3,262,869
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	251,077	85,674	184,327
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	509,741	21,756,914	981,054
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	1,130,191	3,091,322	1,102,996
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	305,114	1,245,000	318,056
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	5,411,174	16,503,683	907,577
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	178,025	1,398,325	173,455
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	518,897	590,686	387,580
TOTAL:	200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	$ 2,295,714,653	$ 3,233,145,536	$ 2,239,448,528

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES RISE DESPITE DECLINE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, July 31 - - Dun & Bradstreet reports that building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities rose 5.5 per cent in February to $2,457,686,843 after having declined to $2,329,353,243 (revised) in January. Permit issuances in the 200 cities were also up 1.3 per cent from their comparable February 1980 pace of $2,425,794,216.

The increase for the 200 cities (between January 1981 and February 1981) came despite a 44.1 per cent drop in filings for New York. Plans filed by builders in the city fell to $42,695,776 from $76,334,366 (revised) in January. Filings in New York were also down some 34.5 per cent from their like year-ago level of $65,139,270.

For the 199 cities outside New York, permit valuations grew by 7.2 per cent in February to $2,414,991,067 from $2,253,018,877 the month prior. Several individual cities posted strong gains in dollar volume over January's levels. Among them were Houston, Los Angeles, Jacksonville, Irving (Texas), Long Beach, Miami, and Chattanooga. The 199 cities (together) also scored a 2.3 per cent improvement from their February 1980 reading of $2,360,654,946. The aforementioned seven cities, and Pittsburgh, likewise registered large individual year-to-year advances in permits.

In the first two months of 1981, permit activity in the 200 cities amounted to $4,787,040,086 or 2.6 per cent more than the $4,665,242,744 for the like two months in 1980. Pittsburgh had just over $216 million in permits for the first two months of 1981 (the third highest figure behind only Houston and Los Angeles), representing a huge improvement over its $13.1 million showing for the same period in 1980.

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2. FEBRUARY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES

MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES
1978 - 1981

	1981	1980	1979	1978
January.....	$ 2,329,353,243R	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317
February.....	2,457,686,843	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444
March.....		2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038
April.....		2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609
May.....		2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484
June.....		2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926
July.....		2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719
August.....		2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105
September.....		2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509
October.....		3,281,845,380	2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414
November.....		2,736,073,957	2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106
December.....		3,233,145,536	2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416
TOTAL.....		$32,275,311,852	$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first two months of 1981 were:

(Millions of Dollars)

	Two Months 1981	% Change Two Months 1980
1. Houston, Texas.....	430.5	+ 50.1
2. Los Angeles California.....	306.2	- 8.7
3. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.....	216.1	+ 1554.6
4. Jacksonville, Florida.....	124.7	+ 116.6
5. New York, N. Y.	119.0	+ 12.2
6. Denver, Colorado.....	104.1	+ 124.1
7. Dallas, Texas.....	99.8	- 24.7
8. Austin, Texas.....	97.3	+ 43.6
9. Boston, Massachusetts.....	94.1	+ 194.6
10. Phoenix, Arizona.....	92.2	- 18.0
11. Chicago, Illinois.....	87.3	+ 3.3
12. San Antonio, Texas.....	85.2	+ 104.9
13. Honolulu, Hawaii.....	82.7	- 22.7
14. Irving, Texas.....	75.5	+ 128.8
15. San Diego, California.....	73.0	- 21.5
16. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	72.3	+ 105.3
17. Seattle, Washington.....	71.3	- 37.1
18. Atlanta, Georgia.....	63.9	- 37.2
19. Washington, D. C.	63.4	+ 1.7
20. San Francisco, California.....	61.9	- 71.5
21. Las Vegas, Nevada.....	56.8	+ 91.8
22. Miami, Florida.....	55.9	+ 107.6
23. San Jose, California.....	54.6	- 6.5
24. Columbus, Ohio.....	54.4	+ 56.9
25. Long Beach, California.....	53.5	+ 137.7

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THE FOLLOWING TABLE GIVES MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR THE 200 LARGEST CITIES BY POPULATION AS RECORDED IN THE 1970 CENSUS. THE FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATED BUILDING COSTS UNDER PERMITS ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BUILDERS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS FOR THE CITIES ENUMERATED. THEY INCLUDE NEW RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE	FEBRUARY 1981	TWO MONTHS 1981	TWO MONTHS 1980
1. NEW YORK, NEW YORK*	$	$	$
MANHATTAN	20,427,912	54,210,112	52,126,889
BRONX	3,532,352	7,478,752	3,009,650
BROOKLYN	7,103,650	11,686,500	12,062,850
QUEENS	8,669,300	37,891,200	17,087,172
RICHMOND	2,962,562	7,763,578	21,808,342
TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	42,695,776	119,030,142	106,094,903
2. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	43,013,976	87,335,056	84,584,122
3. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	202,181,883	306,168,131	335,241,436
4. PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	16,188,598	36,004,952	129,590,371
5. DETROIT, MICHIGAN	26,285,186	37,441,630	66,173,946
6. HOUSTON, TEXAS	250,937,300	430,495,772	286,745,435
7. BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	13,731,156	29,391,965	24,566,925
8. DALLAS, TEXAS	52,671,560	99,810,157	132,511,188
9. WASHINGTON, D. C.	29,426,654	63,362,027	62,802,555
10. CLEVELAND, OHIO	7,558,003	15,502,059	18,892,127
11. INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	15,818,509	26,017,170	25,388,114
12. MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	7,108,775	24,066,489	17,428,348
13. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	32,109,477	61,915,347	217,133,757
14. SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	48,144,442	73,014,496	92,974,418
15. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	35,504,152	85,173,878	41,567,678
16. BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	14,757,800	94,055,800	31,922,000
17. MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	17,155,840	46,988,468	78,565,756
18. ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	6,446,549	11,179,262	29,064,214
19. NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	16,362,516	26,810,433	22,436,242
20. PHOENIX, ARIZONA	48,768,474	92,162,072	112,451,295
21. COLUMBUS, OHIO	14,150,484	54,384,625	34,660,495
22. SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	22,935,766	71,332,312	111,463,346
23. JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	93,271,649	124,740,731	57,587,203
24. PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	103,420,350	216,105,551	13,060,621
25. DENVER, COLORADO	30,312,941	104,144,105	46,471,958
26. KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	32,425,611	39,976,017	11,928,183
27. ATLANTA, GEORGIA	14,178,524	63,864,615	101,655,614
28. BUFFALO, NEW YORK	1,063,180	2,592,803	1,480,642
29. CINCINNATI, OHIO	4,879,704	15,671,683	23,679,606
30. NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	14,205,577	21,342,910	27,017,866
31. SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	17,624,719	54,625,062	58,441,959
32. MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	4,043,722	13,076,250	40,652,029
33. FORT WORTH, TEXAS	15,839,856	37,724,687	35,801,501
34. TOLEDO, OHIO	6,056,196	15,615,092	18,394,169
35. PORTLAND, OREGON	8,223,000	32,124,115	50,121,145
36. NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	1,316,025	2,392,175	1,819,069
37. OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	32,538,928	72,277,400	35,213,230
38. OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	14,943,435	22,442,681	29,460,516
39. LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	2,737,635	8,315,745	11,322,718
40. LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	47,742,969	53,492,789	22,508,322
41. OMAHA, NEBRASKA	2,922,468	10,902,218	8,540,257
42. MIAMI, FLORIDA	44,133,595	55,945,007	26,948,087
43. TULSA, OKLAHOMA	25,306,600	53,325,300	53,053,538
44. HONOLULU, HAWAII	23,316,915	82,652,964	106,867,612
45. EL PASO, TEXAS	20,832,653	44,984,048	38,592,564
46. ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	7,533,751	11,048,229	19,613,474
47. NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	4,790,955	8,025,308	8,492,700
48. BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	21,966,932	30,702,884	23,258,588
49. ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	2,583,421	3,001,988	7,985,445
50. TAMPA, FLORIDA	15,202,974	30,580,143	34,955,606
51. WICHITA, KANSAS	16,128,834	28,078,150	21,594,601
52. AKRON, OHIO	5,243,249	9,995,281	9,565,996
53. TUCSON, ARIZONA	9,198,338	19,107,207	25,673,611
54. JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	3,861,168	4,884,168	2,455,000
55. SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	9,767,605	24,294,998	23,791,475
56. AUSTIN, TEXAS	54,345,400	97,297,800	67,739,650
57. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	2,653,906	5,444,501	33,515,571
58. ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	11,157,372	22,539,091	31,847,846
59. DAYTON, OHIO	2,146,917	7,115,513	7,938,794
60. CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	17,929,122	38,980,781	22,928,277
61. ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	2,904,762	14,488,426	21,855,290
62. CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	13,470,578	33,197,488	43,395,069
63. YONKERS, NEW YORK	597,286	862,286	4,049,660
64. DES MOINES, IOWA	903,782	2,982,106	5,434,875
65. GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	2,665,200	10,418,830	15,583,670
66. SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	601,155	2,558,600	2,248,347
67. FLINT, MICHIGAN	1,042,642	1,906,193	1,788,010
68. MOBILE, ALABAMA	10,377,012	19,049,062	25,914,364
69. SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	8,125,178	13,187,904	9,473,018
70. WARREN, MICHIGAN	55,630	100,699	452,061
71. PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	2,330,100	2,511,950	4,804,600
72. FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	6,458,774	7,913,609	23,745,713
73. WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	11,708,713	13,444,328	7,605,045
74. SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	5,324,834	7,951,769	15,740,819
75. GARY, INDIANA	4,641,094	5,206,094	1,444,592
76. KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	1,536,597	7,737,379	10,546,740
77. MADISON, WISCONSIN	6,149,107	9,127,066	4,973,281
78. VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	13,725,771	38,267,781	29,807,757
79. SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	12,089,966	19,226,338	17,566,943
80. KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	4,972,939	6,508,745	2,348,706
81. ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	22,495,315	30,926,983	19,998,915
82. FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	9,363,865	17,995,727	28,872,007
83. BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	14,896,185	34,920,765	22,351,506
84. SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	10,800,161	11,892,187	11,526,486
85. HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	1,371,114	2,423,389	12,442,174
86. SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	2,826,437	7,907,842	11,220,503
87. BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	1,812,646	2,274,321	2,112,606
88. TACOMA, WASHINGTON	7,309,668	20,529,679	8,294,684
89. COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	12,307,346	22,091,938	34,573,948
90. JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	4,090,272	7,511,941	12,288,830
91. LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	3,838,447	8,130,937	15,233,728
92. LUBBOCK, TEXAS	13,136,852	23,468,657	10,976,382
93. ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	1,496,917	4,808,440	11,166,610
94. PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	318,346	800,201	9,665,396
95. GREENSBORO, NO. CAROLINA	8,033,738	12,124,387	8,405,413
96. RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	5,000,204	14,407,937	9,172,567
97. YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	389,527	1,025,027	1,000,532
98. FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	4,417,775	8,193,475	34,642,940
99. EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	2,973,015	4,121,464	2,335,682
100. NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	2,666,535	8,670,571	2,569,983
101. HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	2,308,971	8,152,508	24,408,882
102. NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	750,500	6,207,940	9,163,215
103. COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	15,404,729	27,350,337	36,758,045
104. TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	4,898,675	11,706,680	7,543,000
105. MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	3,544,500	7,533,200	14,840,600
106. WINSTON-SALEM, NO. CAROLINA	7,706,865	14,404,571	23,164,508
107. GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	5,820,895	8,726,270	16,595,802
108. LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	7,618,404	11,702,608	11,747,391
109. LANSING, MICHIGAN	2,548,749	9,076,262	3,953,379
110. ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	86,500	223,400	355,098
111. AMARILLO, TEXAS	3,592,512	14,534,556	41,088,860
112. PEORIA, ILLINOIS	2,610,784	3,521,684	9,044,392
113. LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	26,844,529	56,773,624	29,594,502
114. SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	279,331	1,872,831	5,970,556
115. TOPEKA, KANSAS	3,077,300	6,134,538	2,698,565
116. GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	2,539,067	3,577,820	3,082,777
117. MACON, GEORGIA	4,321,500	9,133,730	6,477,515
118. RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	11,129,962	19,036,704	26,083,272
119. HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,337,811	4,476,860	4,877,279
120. SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	1,446,151	2,391,669	7,816,224
121. CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	39,065,107	42,868,902	20,788,677
122. SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	3,600,037	5,878,602	10,086,174
123. BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,006,272	3,206,700	13,927,582
124. HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIF.	14,924,823	23,731,269	8,526,194
125. BEAUMONT, TEXAS	8,592,877	20,347,886	11,075,260
126. ALBANY, NEW YORK	717,319	1,206,638	1,262,347
127. COLUMBIA, SO. CAROLINA	2 102,659	7,592,640	11,733,264
128. PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	3,942,573	8,219,162	9,967,699
129. ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	147,000	562,000	574,885
130. INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	583,400	1,885,118	1,717,233
131. PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	910,146	4,058,356	2,766,399
132. ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	1,364,988	12,036,656	8,959,998
133. CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	638,405	4,394,451	3,895,043
134. LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	764,491	3,079,466	4,412,019
135. CANTON, OHIO	1,624,211	3,052,849	2,921,631
136. ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	3,467,985	6,107,700	2,526,005
137. STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	9,964,613	20,085,513	6,443,360
138. LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	6,219,221	23,818,243	13,251,244
139. WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	2,211,500	2,654,735	563,805
140. HAMMOND, INDIANA	8,474,171	8,756,851	1,074,980
141. STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	5,041,055	8,453,430	9,060,398
142. HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	1,790,298	4,937,764	47,029,673
143. TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	1,763,000	1,793,000	1,890,420
144. SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	8,354,521	18,703,924	12,773,895
145. DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	659,099	1,365,510	3,271,836
146. SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	203,024	308,769	7,147,015
147. CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	1,489,225	1,524,199	237,324
148. HIALEAH, FLORIDA	3,565,831	5,545,398	6,036,857
149. NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,335,600	23,322,855	2,111,325
150. FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	15,850,600	24,717,800	11,930,300
151. DULUTH, MINNESOTA	688,182	1,220,311	3,819,478
152. CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	3,405,285	8,323,725	22,228,596
153. PARMA, OHIO	382,486	730,166	356,400
154. ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	1,724,774	2,689,159	8,308,695
155. ORLANDO, FLORIDA	3,343,583	9,817,382	17,558,424
156. DAVENPORT, IOWA	676,114	6,101,136	3,179,102
157. WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	2,151,667	8,325,884	7,759,832
158. PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,514,847	2,315,754	1,922,075
159. IRVING, TEXAS	50,080,032	75,487,164	32,992,059
160. FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	642,900	938,482	370,500
161. DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	6,423,642	9,645,121	4,017,956
162. SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	3,552,388	13,582,553	18,576,619
163. WACO, TEXAS	8,877,447	13,102,870	24,102,684
164. RACINE, WISCONSIN	127,850	4,405,845	672,705
165. LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	1,103,365	1,699,260	9,687,825
166. HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	4,489,343	13,193,116	17,531,076
167. LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	6,243,819	9,463,126	13,286,728
168. ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	1,995,014	3,114,014	6,478,716
169. SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	186,710	418,868	1,511,140
170. NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	722,880	1,053,610	797,990
171. SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	1,668,284	3,408,816	1,973,328
172. UTICA, NEW YORK	92,917	590,047	744,290
173. NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	2,252,710	5,660,329	1,020,703
174. ARLINGTON, TEXAS	30,222,894	47,911,758	31,938,665
175. DECATUR, ILLINOIS	343,711	833,311	2,118,061
176. LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	140,800	2,635,550	1,273,691
177. INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	6,320,817	7,612,271	12,772,195
178. ABILENE, TEXAS	11,625,776	17,790,764	13,322,933
179. CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	5,198,954	7,324,206	13,732,099
180. PASADENA, TEXAS	5,658,822	8,362,677	9,964,818
181. BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	15,213,875	18,296,540	517,375
182. BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	4,680,146	9,761,084	21,138,961
183. SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	258,000	1,913,345	631,401
184. DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,131,368	9,158,433	3,107,666
185. SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	4,615,961	7,840,776	14,528,104
186. ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	56,300	281,300	864,325
187. QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	6,332,587	6,609,822	986,586
188. GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN	2,430,400	3,348,560	2,587,328
189. MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	914,839	1,476,201	751,205
190. SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	17,327,202	21,175,856	5,996,360
191. READING, PENNSYLVANIA	357,244	357,333	2,106,731
192. POMONA, CALIFORNIA	8,688,810	13,383,211	4,807,642
193. MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	15,738,252	24,685,396	8,730,819
194. WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	191,222	442,299	624,517
195. SIOUX CITY, IOWA	3,633,285	4,143,026	1,727,003
196. FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	4,603,917	5,734,108	3,770,543
197. NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	203,685	508,799	713,856
198. KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	1,033,755	6,444,929	2,875,683
199. ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	80,550	258,575	492,280
200. PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	271,029	789,926	27,874,611
TOTAL: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	$ 2,457,686,843	$ 4,787,040,096	$ 4,665,242,744

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BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES ADVANCE

NEW YORK, August 10 -- Following an upturn in February, building permits in the nation's 200 largest cities continued to advance in March, according to Dun & Bradstreet. March permit values totalled $2,808,493,415 or 14.3 per cent more than the $2,457,686,843 volume for February. And, for the seventh straight month, building permits in the 200 cities exceeded their comparable year-ago level. Permit values ran 5.9 per cent ahead of March 1980's pace of $2,652,435,406.

In New York, plans filed by builders rebounded sizably during March after slowing in both of the two months prior. Filings in New York reached $97,715,776, a bit more than two-and-a-quarter times its February volume of $42,695,776. However, filings in the city showed a 64.1 per cent deficit in comparison with an exceptionally busy year-ago pace of $272,511,228.

Permit valuations for the 199 cities outside New York posted double-digit gains in March. During that month they amounted to $2,710,777,639 or 12.2 per cent more than February's total of $2,414,991,067. Permit activity in the 199 cities likewise advanced, some 13.9 per cent, from their comparable March 1980 level of $2,379,924,178. Some of these 199 cities posted large individual percentage gains from both their month-ago and year-ago levels. Among them were Boston, Irving (Texas), San Francisco, Lexington (Kentucky), Nashville, Honolulu, Richmond, Santa Clara, Knoxville, and Kalamazoo.

For the first quarter of 1981, permit issuances in the 200 cities reached $7,595,533,501. That was 3.8 per cent more than the $7,317,678,150 tally set in the like three months of 1980. The top five cities in issuances for this first quarter of 1981 were (in descending order): Houston, Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, New York and Boston.

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MONTHLY TOTAL OF BUILDING PERMITS IN 200 LARGEST CITIES
1978 - 1981

	1981	1980	1979	1978
January.....	$ 2,329,353,243R	$ 2,239,448,528	$ 1,746,778,126	$ 1,555,200,317
February.....	2,457,686,843	2,425,794,216	1,717,789,184	1,566,122,444
March.....	2,808,493,415	2,652,435,406	2,476,939,618	2,181,040,038
April.....		2,456,791,560	2,451,179,009	1,970,502,609
May.....		2,315,891,724	2,777,967,467	2,184,409,484
June.....		2,455,281,668	2,773,160,539	3,175,380,926
July.....		2,954,515,163	2,680,322,050	2,374,622,719
August.....		2,580,497,908	2,986,549,135	2,096,290,105
September.....		2,943,590,806	2,825,024,489	2,197,718,509
October.....		3,281,845,380	2,899,533,662	2,305,383,414
November.....		2,736,073,957	2,495,786,359	2,050,242,106
December.....		3,233,145,536	2,184,572,996	1,809,134,416
TOTAL.....		$32,275,311,852	$30,015,602,634	$25,466,047,087

R = Revised

Of the 200 cities included in this series the twenty-five with the largest building permit values for the first three months of 1981 were:

(Millions of Dollars)

	Three Months 1981	% Change Three Months 1980
1. Houston, Texas.....	657.6	+ 25.5
2. Los Angeles, California.....	452.1	- 0.7
3. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.....	221.3	+ 906.7
4. New York, N. Y.	216.7	- 42.8
5. Boston, Massachusetts.....	191.8	+ 128.1
6. Dallas, Texas.....	174.1	- 8.9
7. Irving, Texas.....	154.7	+ 214.0
8. Phoenix, Arizona.....	145.7	- 14.1
9. Jacksonville, Florida.....	144.8	+ 89.6
10. Denver, Colorado.....	142.1	+ 117.9
11. Honolulu, Hawaii.....	135.7	- 4.9
12. San Francisco, California.....	133.3	- 49.0
13. San Diego, California.....	132.8	- 11.4
14. Chicago, Illinois.....	128.1	- 37.2
15. Austin, Texas.....	127.2	+ 10.5
16. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.....	118.0	+ 114.6
17. Washington, D. C.	117.0	+ 8.0
18. San Antonio, Texas.....	114.8	+ 64.3
19. Seattle, Washington.....	97.1	- 35.4
20. Atlanta, Georgia.....	86.2	- 32.5
21. Tulsa, Oklahoma.....	79.6	+ 12.7
22. San Jose, California.....	78.8	- 17.0
23. Miami, Florida.....	75.2	+ 98.2
24. Columbus, Ohio.....	74.3	+ 20.7
25. Memphis, Tennessee.....	73.6	- 22.5

ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS. LAND COSTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. THE DATA ARE COMPILED FROM REPORTS FURNISHED TO DUN & BRADSTREET BY THE BUILDING DEPARTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES.

RANK BY SIZE		MARCH 1981	THREE MONTHS 1981	THREE MONTHS 1980
1.	NEW YORK, NEW YORK			
	MANHATTAN	$ 70,692,494	$ 124,902,606	$ 273,868,789
	BRONX	8,419,800	15,898,552	10,399,210
	BROOKLYN	4,347,500	16,034,000	38,004,450
	QUEENS	3,207,774	41,098,974	27,575,462
	RICHMOND	11,048,208	18,811,786	28,758,220
	TOTAL NEW YORK CITY	97,715,776	216,745,918	378,606,131
2.	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	40,791,507	128,126,563	204,110,876
3.	LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA	145,961,127	452,129,258	455,476,800
4.	PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA	23,666,487	59,671,439	157,311,805
5.	DETROIT, MICHIGAN	18,647,689	56,089,319	71,172,477
6.	HOUSTON, TEXAS	227,084,923	657,580,695	524,156,933
7.	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	9,238,334	38,630,299	68,700,218
8.	DALLAS, TEXAS	74,274,260	174,084,417	191,194,176
9.	WASHINGTON, D. C.	53,665,535	117,027,612	108,334,456
10.	CLEVELAND, OHIO	9,070,113	24,572,172	26,468,889
11.	INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA	32,137,564	58,154,734	88,519,568
12.	MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN	9,767,738	33,834,227	37,241,126
13.	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA	71,337,500	133,252,847	261,039,921
14.	SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	59,747,242	132,761,738	149,803,023
15.	SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS	29,595,480	114,769,358	69,851,634
16.	BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS	97,694,800	191,750,600	84,048,200
17.	MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	26,618,775	73,607,243	94,917,691
18.	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	6,561,141	17,740,403	41,617,818
19.	NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA	22,022,557	48,832,990	31,427,441
20.	PHOENIX, ARIZONA	53,527,048	145,689,120	169,647,105
21.	COLUMBUS, OHIO	19,957,608	74,342,233	61,586,393
22.	SEATTLE, WASHINGTON	25,729,664	97,061,976	150,219,878
23.	JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA	20,074,204	144,814,935	76,590,345
24.	PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA	5,171,911	221,277,462	21,978,899
25.	DENVER, COLORADO	37,911,004	142,055,109	65,184,428
26.	KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI	14,594,131	54,570,148	25,446,942
27.	ATLANTA, GEORGIA	22,373,947	86,238,562	127,777,388
28.	BUFFALO, NEW YORK	3,478,651	6,071,454	10,451,748
29.	CINCINNATI, OHIO	13,999,841	29,671,524	29,922,415
30.	NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE	53,957,454	75,300,364	43,763,365
31.	SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA	24,201,250	78,826,312	94,960,413
32.	MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA	10,494,386	23,570,636	59,058,752
33.	FORT WORTH, TEXAS	21,093,860	58,818,547	53,598,801
34.	TOLEDO, OHIO	4,608,718	20,223,810	23,295,308
35.	PORTLAND, OREGON	12,029,977	44,154,092	75,518,580
36.	NEWARK, NEW JERSEY	6,377,861	8,770,036	5,388,719
37.	OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	45,752,907	118,030,307	54,994,917
38.	OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA	9,350,409	31,793,090	74,607,866
39.	LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY	3,725,367	12,040,612	14,966,788
40.	LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA	14,166,095	67,658,884	37,025,412
41.	OMAHA, NEBRASKA	7,079,900	17,982,118	18,178,713
42.	MIAMI, FLORIDA	19,275,711	75,220,718	37,950,133
43.	TULSA, OKLAHOMA	26,248,513	79,573,813	70,585,062
44.	HONOLULU, HAWAII	53,085,312	135,738,276	142,674,855
45.	EL PASO, TEXAS	14,575,619	59,559,667	56,939,740
46.	ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	12,096,940	23,145,179	23,834,367
47.	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	4,727,416	12,752,924	10,715,109
48.	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA	13,130,635	43,833,519	42,931,050
49.	ROCHESTER, NEW YORK	1,592,000	4,593,988	13,484,844
50.	TAMPA, FLORIDA	14,758,904	45,339,047	51,560,547
51.	WICHITA, KANSAS	16,692,626	44,770,776	29,617,534
52.	AKRON, OHIO	17,101,967	27,097,248	14,883,957
53.	TUCSON, ARIZONA	15,496,721	34,603,928	36,103,006
54.	JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY	1,032,335	5,716,503	16,213,088
55.	SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA	20,522,075	44,817,073	30,743,711
56.	AUSTIN, TEXAS	29,956,100	127,248,900	115,182,650
57.	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	38,977,377	44,421,878	43,580,525
58.	ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO	11,740,829	34,279,920	42,963,088
59.	DAYTON, OHIO	5,699,314	12,814,827	19,633,755
60.	CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	22,890,774	61,871,555	34,650,316
61.	ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA	8,160,712	22,649,138	25,650,590
62.	CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS	18,815,804	52,013,292	54,025,461
63.	YONKERS, NEW YORK	1,335,496	2,197,782	6,534,705
64.	DES MOINES, IOWA	2,255,703	5,237,809	6,712,245
65.	GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	9,475,650	19,894,480	16,921,555
66.	SYRACUSE, NEW YORK	439,427	2,998,027	2,448,347
67.	FLINT, MICHIGAN	5,768,632	7,674,825	7,857,372
68.	MOBILE, ALABAMA	8,211,141	27,260,203	32,596,641
69.	SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA	7,529,094	20,716,998	19,111,924
70.	WARREN, MICHIGAN	267,784	368,483	831,241
71.	PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND	1,886,150	4,398,100	6,873,800
72.	FORT WAYNE, INDIANA	8,879,841	16,793,450	36,346,624
73.	WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS	1,138,321	14,582,649	9,907,218
74.	SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	5,418,684	13,370,453	19,708,462
75.	GARY, INDIANA	1,982,727	7,188,821	1,942,079
76.	KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE	30,571,077	38,308,456	14,601,894
77.	MADISON, WISCONSIN	4,691,637	13,818,703	12,914,479
78.	VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA	26,209,980	64,477,761	46,983,879
79.	SPOKANE, WASHINGTON	8,668,901	27,895,239	27,260,941
80.	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	4,376,231	10,884,976	2,942,264
81.	ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA	27,867,282	58,794,265	37,312,638
82.	FRESNO, CALIFORNIA	10,524,101	28,519,828	40,806,509
83.	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA	10,210,633	45,131,398	33,678,745
84.	SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS	20,776,563	32,668,750	13,343,569
85.	HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT	4,335,584	6,758,973	19,602,252
86.	SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA	12,140,504	20,048,346	17,198,367
87.	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT	993,640	3,267,961	3,550,109
88.	TACOMA, WASHINGTON	6,708,068	27,237,747	12,750,196
89.	COLUMBUS, GEORGIA	2,535,952	24,627,890	36,713,252
90.	JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI	4,294,221	11,806,162	20,915,738
91.	LINCOLN, NEBRASKA	2,792,209	10,923,146	18,642,080
92.	LUBBOCK, TEXAS	9,766,918	33,235,575	17,419,470
93.	ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS	4,577,389	9,385,829	13,716,446
94.	PATERSON, NEW JERSEY	731,183	1,531,384	10,753,901
95.	GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA	11,101,008	23,225,395	14,949,556
96.	RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA	4,322,998	18,730,935	15,187,914
97.	YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO	688,793	1,713,820	1,448,169
98.	FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA	6,641,515	14,834,990	39,604,940
99.	EVANSVILLE, INDIANA	2,367,532	6,488,996	3,128,021
100.	NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA	2,701,832	11,372,403	5,591,707
101.	HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA	$ 13,107,822	$ 21,260,330	$ 28,313,847
102.	NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT	1,232,205	7,440,145	31,899,465
103.	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO	19,349,302	46,749,639	50,636,711
104.	TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA	2,409,810	14,116,490	10,456,890
105.	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA	4,237,700	11,770,900	22,495,300
106.	WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA	5,153,226	19,557,747	29,975,753
107.	GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA	6,372,165	15,098,435	23,758,126
108.	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	7,737,398	19,440,006	21,741,769
109.	LANSING, MICHIGAN	12,646,304	21,722,566	4,841,141
110.	ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA	747,625	965,825	4,775,378
111.	AMARILLO, TEXAS	17,146,133	31,680,689	45,903,582
112.	PEORIA, ILLINOIS	914,370	4,436,054	12,772,339
113.	LAS VEGAS, NEVADA	14,676,702	71,450,326	36,649,176
114.	SOUTH BEND, INDIANA	1,645,460	3,518,291	6,611,641
115.	TOPEKA, KANSAS	3,512,780	9,647,318	4,514,331
116.	GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA	363,520	3,941,340	8,505,938
117.	MACON, GEORGIA	3,427,262	12,560,992	9,782,656
118.	RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA	12,136,141	31,172,845	31,516,767
119.	HAMPTON, VIRGINIA	2,409,820	6,886,680	6,316,610
120.	SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI	1,947,529	4,339,198	11,405,882
121.	CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE	11,325,592	54,194,494	29,045,449
122.	SAVANNAH, GEORGIA	5,177,178	11,055,780	11,499,452
123.	BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA	1,040,422	4,247,122	15,033,141
124.	HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA	11,878,547	15,609,866	14,945,161
125.	BEAUMONT, TEXAS	8,616,437	28,964,323	20,598,474
126.	ALBANY, NEW YORK	1,090,772	2,207,410	2,900,609
127.	COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA	11,342,625	18,935,065	19,775,392
128.	PASADENA, CALIFORNIA	5,214,376	13,433,538	12,054,851
129.	ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY	292,360	854,360	3,121,398
130.	INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI	2,150,635	4,035,741	7,643,731
131.	PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA	1,249,476	5,357,832	3,894,640
132.	ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA	9,029,115	21,065,771	42,880,090
133.	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA	2,579,597	6,974,048	5,624,835
134.	LIVONIA, MICHIGAN	3,148,281	6,227,747	6,318,818
135.	CANTON, OHIO	1,065,956	4,118,807	4,632,545
136.	ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA	405,850	6,513,550	3,655,341
137.	STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT	6,947,621	27,033,134	14,649,160
138.	LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY	63,900,167	87,718,410	24,660,478
139.	WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT	4,866,609	7,520,744	7,725,939
140.	HAMMOND, INDIANA	77,458	8,834,309	1,577,510
141.	STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA	6,921,017	15,374,447	19,822,713
142.	HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA	2,915,311	7,852,675	51,570,935
143.	TRENTON, NEW JERSEY	583,375	2,376,375	2,270,331
144.	SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA	6,043,336	24,747,260	19,111,000
145.	DEARBORN, MICHIGAN	4,520,099	5,885,609	4,089,739
146.	SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA	225,109	533,878	7,642,370
147.	CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY	691,200	2,215,299	353,948
148.	HIALEAH, FLORIDA	4,439,946	9,985,344	7,176,515
149.	NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS	1,897,960	25,420,815	2,807,504
150.	FREMONT, CALIFORNIA	6,694,350	31,412,150	20,703,500
151.	DULUTH, MINNESOTA	879,067	2,099,378	13,793,794
152.	CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS	3,422,105	11,745,830	24,995,757
153.	PARMA, OHIO	723,800	1,453,966	1,394,400
154.	ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN	762,964	3,452,123	12,068,116
155.	ORLANDO, FLORIDA	38,759,016	48,576,398	45,202,361
156.	DAVENPORT, IOWA	3,216,409	9,317,545	5,711,732
157.	WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS	8,212,069	16,537,953	12,340,777
158.	PUEBLO, COLORADO	1,644,511	3,960,265	4,103,438
159.	IRVING, TEXAS	79,188,154	154,675,318	49,256,964
160.	FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS	437,580	1,376,062	484,395
161.	DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA	14,991,228	24,636,349	7,148,071
162.	SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA	12,363,740	25,946,293	23,575,986
163.	WACO, TEXAS	3,184,007	16,286,877	26,066,063
164.	RACINE, WISCONSIN	532,008	4,737,853	923,961
165.	LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS	5,970,572	7,669,832	10,037,831
166.	HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA	20,585,543	33,778,659	21,547,431
167.	LAKEWOOD, COLORADO	4,719,103	14,182,229	17,984,453
168.	ROANOKE, VIRGINIA	2,183,343	5,297,357	8,225,153
169.	SAGINAW, MICHIGAN	370,762	739,630	17,041,294
170.	NORWALK, CALIFORNIA	1,173,220	2,426,830	1,891,000
171.	SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS	1,996,880	5,405,696	4,221,109
172.	UTICA, NEW YORK	1,476,702	2,066,749	1,107,374
173.	NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS	1,252,662	6,912,991	1,380,125
174.	ARLINGTON, TEXAS	22,668,874	70,580,632	62,758,132
175.	DECATUR, ILLINOIS	2,087,645	2,920,956	5,468,944
176.	LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS	2,751,830	5,387,380	1,700,666
177.	INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA	850,336	8,462,607	15,035,814
178.	ABILENE, TEXAS	6,639,260	24,430,024	17,666,720
179.	CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA	4,334,391	11,658,597	16,405,302
180.	PASADENA, TEXAS	3,706,992	12,069,669	12,516,557
181.	BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS	6,102,184	24,398,724	835,145
182.	BURBANK, CALIFORNIA	1,054,335	10,815,419	29,181,465
183.	SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS	261,975	2,175,320	993,247
184.	DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA	1,183,094	10,341,527	5,657,722
185.	SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA	15,193,379	23,034,155	18,865,002
186.	ST. CLAIR SHORES, MICHIGAN	1,543,500	1,804,800	1,010,120
187.	QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS	411,966	7,021,788	9,035,211
188.	GREENBAY, WISCONSIN	1,926,450	5,275,010	4,500,882
189.	MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE	2,076,052	3,352,253	2,813,309
190.	SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA	31,522,660	52,698,516	10,156,667
191.	READING, PENNSYLVANIA	480,447	837,780	2,633,198
192.	POMONA, CALIFORNIA	7,347,967	20,731,178	10,127,111
193.	MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA	12,606,309	37,291,705	69,619,066
194.	WESTLAND, MICHIGAN	190,011	632,310	2,185,758
195.	SIOUX CITY, IOWA	191,317	4,334,343	2,160,234
196.	FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA	814,502	6,548,610	4,451,235
197.	NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK	149,589	658,388	1,225,445
198.	KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN	28,683,064	35,127,993	3,374,745
199.	ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN	927,215	1,185,790	1,559,980
200.	PONTIAC, MICHIGAN	267,709	1,057,635	43,683,054
	TOTAL: 200 LARGEST CITIES Listed Above	$ 2,808,493,415	$ 7,595,533,501	$ 7,317,678,150

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